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ANDOVER MASS.

LOCAL NEWS.

If you see it in the Townsman, it's news to be relied upon; if it is news and so, you'll see it in the Townsman.

Herbert F. Chase is in New York this week on a business trip.

Abbot and Phillips Academies opened yesterday for the winter term after a vacation of two weeks.

The exterior of the building owned by W. J. Burns and occupied as a restaurant by Mr. Brown is undergoing repairs.

The Punchard High school hockey team and Johnson High team are scheduled to play on Lake Cochichewick this afternoon.

Misses Dorothy Ballard, Chicago, Ill., Marion Laurie, Laurie, Pa., and Margaret McLean are visiting the Misses Williams on Phillips street.

The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the Free church met at the home of Mrs. Curtis Baldwin on Summer street last evening.

Miss Alice M. Bowman of Bridgewater has returned to her home after having spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Chase on Elm street.

William Guilmett, who has been head tailor in the employ of P. J. Hannon will open up a tailoring establishment in the rooms over Valpey's market in a few days.

James Grosvenor of this town was granted a divorce nisi from his wife Alice, Tuesday by Judge Stevens, at a session of Superior civil court, for desertion.

Mrs. Barnard will open a children's class in dancing in the G. A. R. hall tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock and it is hoped that there will be a large class of beginners.

The Association Football club will hold their regular meeting next Monday, January 15. All members are requested to be present as important business will be transacted.

On next Friday evening, January 12, a private dancing party will be held in the Grange hall, those having charge being Misses Alma Bailey, Lucia Burt and Luella Phelps.

Mrs. J. H. Babbitt returned Tuesday from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Haverford, Penn., where she has been spending several weeks with her sons who are located in these places.

The annual meeting of the Directors of the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance company will be held on Monday afternoon, January 15, at two o'clock in the company's rooms.

The tickets are selling well for the celebration of the tenth anniversary of Andover Colony No. 181, U. O. P. F. which will be held in Pilgrim hall on Friday evening, January 19.

Fred Roffey of Rockport, Me., has entered the employ of the local Boston Maine station as night operator in place of E. Morrill Baker, who recently received appointment as station agent at Londonderry, N. H.

At the annual meeting of the Bay State Automobile Association which was held in the new Casino in Auburndale on Monday afternoon and evening, Harlan W. Whipple of this town was elected vice-president.

The annual meeting of the Andover National bank will be held in the banking rooms next Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, for the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Many local people attended the "Hogmanay" concert given by the Caledonian club and by Clan McPherson at Lawrence last Saturday night. Local talent participated in the programs at both concerts and Black's orchestra furnished music for dancing for Clan McPherson.

At a session of probate court held in Salem on Monday the following business of local importance was transacted: wills proved, Sarah M. Clark; administration granted on estates of F. C. Burt, Bridget Coffey and Charles H. Hardy; an inventory as filed on the estates of Mary Holroyd 2015.

Tickets are now on sale for the piano recital to be given by Prof. Carl Baermann of Boston in Bartlett chapel on next Wednesday evening, January 10, beginning at 7.45. The proceeds are to be devoted to the fund for a new organ in the chapel. The tickets which are \$1.00, 75 and 50 cents can be secured at the Andover Bookstore. Prof. Baermann possesses a world-wide reputation as a pianist and undoubtedly a large audience will hear him.

A number of neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Brown gathered at their home on Salem street one night recently and were entertained by Charles L. Carpenter, who gave them a very interesting talk on the work going on at the Panama Canal. Mr. Carpenter, who is a civil engineer employed in the construction of the great water way, is thoroughly acquainted with the project and he told many interesting facts about the work that were unknown before to the listeners. He illustrated the talk with a number of maps. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. C. Bricault, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Rea, Miss Hattie Erving, Mr. Bicker and Mrs. Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter leaves for Panama tomorrow.

Notice.

To holders of tickets for the Baermann recital Wednesday night, read, Bartlett chapel instead of Phillips hall. Please see advertisement in Townsman.

Treasurer J. C. Sawyer of Phillips Academy has been in New York this week on business.

Joseph Daly, son of James Daly, who has been very sick with diphtheria for several weeks is able to be about again.

The annual business meeting and supper of the Free church will be held in the vestry on Wednesday evening, January 17.

The regular monthly meeting of the Andover Mother's club is being held this afternoon in the kindergarten rooms of the John Dove school.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Conroy were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Morris of Boston on Tuesday. They enjoyed an automobile ride with their hosts through the suburbs of the city.

Reserve Friday night, Jan. 12, for a private dancing party to be held in Grange hall. All those wishing conveyance in the barge, will please notify A. P. Richardson or the committee.

On Tuesday evening, instead of on Wednesday, the prayer and conference meeting will be held in Bartlett chapel in charge of the Seminary society of Inquiry. Thornton B. Penfield will be the speaker.

At a special meeting of the Board of Public Works held last evening Frank L. Cole was appointed to the position of clerk in the office, to take the place of George E. Hussey. Mr. Cole will begin his duties at once.

The next meeting of the November club scheduled for Monday, Jan. 15, has been postponed until Thursday of the same week at which time Miss Heloise E. Hersey of Boston will speak to the club and its guests on "The House of Mirth."

At the regular meeting of the G. A. R. tonight at 7.45 o'clock there will be a joint installation of the recently elected officers of the Post, Woman's Relief Corps and Camp Sons of Veterans. The Daughters of the Veterans, an organization from Lawrence, will be present as guests.

A meeting of those interested in the formation of a Knights of Columbus lodge in town was held in the rooms of the Y. M. C. T. A. last Sunday afternoon and many presented applications for membership. E. J. Arundel, District Deputy of this district was present and assisted in getting things into running order and it is expected that a strong lodge can be formed in town.

Gustave Lundgren, son of Mrs. Martha Lundgren of Whittier street, is to sever his connection with Tyer Rubber company this week and will leave in a few days for New York where he will be employed by his uncle. On Wednesday noon he was presented with a fine dress suit case by the young ladies of William McTernens' room, where he had been at work.

The Rosebuds defeated the Salem streets on Wednesday, Jan. 3, by a score of 1 to 0. The game was very interesting from the beginning to the end. The Rosebuds made a fine showing. The line-up was as follows:

Rosebuds: Roman, g; Bowman, p; J. Welch, cp; Frye, cp; E. Collins, le; W. O'Connell, lw; J. Collins, rw; E. O'Connell, rw. Salem streets: E. Allicon, g; F. Allicon, p; L. Plumber, cp; Woods, re; Bollen, rw; Whipple, re; Lynch, le.

Some months ago William G. Goldsmith planted a number of fine young hemlock trees in the beautiful Carmel Park and as they grew they gave promise of being exceptionally fine trees, of which the Park commissioners and all who visit the place justly felt proud. Some days before Christmas however, one of these trees was chopped down, in all probability to be used as a Christmas tree in one of our Andover homes. Undoubtedly the person who took the tree was not aware that he was breaking the law and that there might have been a heavy fine imposed on him had he been caught. Chief Frye was notified of the deed and hereafter a strict watch will be kept on the park.

Notice.

Yesterday, our card feeders made a demand on us for an increase of 13%, per cent, in their wages, giving us until 2 p.m. today, for answer. They were notified this afternoon that their demand could not be granted, but that the management had for some time been considering a readjustment of wages in certain parts of our works and that some increase would come to them. After being so notified they left their work.

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ABBOTT VILLAGE.

John Connelly of Lynn spent Tuesday visiting friends in the village.

Hugh Kydd of Village street is confined to his home this week by illness.

Timothy Sullivan is confined to his home on Red Spring road, suffering from an attack of pleurisy.

Mrs. Timothy McCarthy of Red Spring road spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cuneo of Woburn.

Miss Maggie Nolan of Jamaica Plain spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McDermitt of Essex street.

Angus McPherson, Joseph Kerr, Thomas Lenery and Robert Buchanan of Lynn spent Hogmanay day with friends in the village.

Daniel McGuire and John Poland of Red Spring road took a part in the program at Hogmanay party in Lawrence Saturday evening.

Miss Besale and Raymond Ritchie of Bradford were visitors this week at the home of their grand parent, George S. Buchan of Lincoln street.

A meeting of the Helping Hand society of the Free church was held at the home of Mrs. James Anderson on Cuba street, on Monday afternoon.

An association football match was played last Saturday afternoon on the cricket grounds between teams captained by Robert Anderson and Charles Hudson, the latter winning by 3 goals to 2.

James Leslie and William Black furnished the music for the entertainment held in the Black Prince hall, Lawrence, Saturday evening, under the auspices of the Clan McPherson of Lawrence.

The Mothers' club of the I. R. school held its meeting in the kindergarten room Thursday, Jan. 4, but owing to the bad walking there were few present. Those who did attend enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon listening to an illustrated talk given by Fred Dodson on his trip through the West, after which tea and cake were served.

A large number of the Scotch residents of the Village attended the supper, concert and ball given under the auspices of the Clan McPherson of Lawrence, last Saturday evening. They are of the opinion that it was the greatest social success of the season. The party returned by special electric from Lawrence, arriving home in Andover in the wee sma' hours.

Communion services will be held in the local Congregational and Episcopal churches next Sunday morning.

The West Parish church Sunday-school received two splendid Christmas gifts from Miss Susanna W. Smith. They were two pictures for the vestry, which Miss Smith brought from Dresden, Germany, this fall. One is a large photograph of the picture of a modern Italian artist, Eugene Burnand, "The Prayer of Christ after the Supper," and represents Christ surrounded by the eleven, lifting up his eyes in prayer to his Father. The other picture is a steel engraving of great beauty of Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper." Miss Smith has also presented a large reproduction of Hofmann's "Christ among the Doctors" to the paragonage. It is a "Haftstaenge gravure" signed by the artist.

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METHUEN 1, PUNCHARD 0.

The Punchard high school hockey team and the Methuen High school hockey team met in a battle royal on Rabbitt's pond, Monday afternoon. The score at the end of two of the most interesting and exciting 20-minute halves was 1 to 0, in favor of Methuen.

The contest was one of the North Essex Triangular series and by their victory the Methuen boys have a good lead on the Andover and North Andover teams for the championship.

Morrissey, Daly, Stiles and Lindsay played a star game for the losers and Cook, Collins and Wolcott played a good, clean and snappy game for the victors.

Norris played a star game in goal for Methuen, not allowing the ball to pass through his goal.

This week's games in the series will be played on Wednesday and Friday of this week, Johnson high playing Methuen at Methuen on the former day, and Punchard plays Johnson high at North Andover on the latter named day.

The following was the lineup of the two teams:

Methuen: Punchedard, G. Lindley, Douglas, G. Stiles, Ganley, C. D. Doyle, Cook, W. Hardy, Collins, L. R. Hardy, George, R. Morrissey, Wolcott, R. W. O'Connell.

Score, Methuen 1, Punchard 0. Goals made by Wolcott. Referee, Peter Dugan. Umpires, Jewett for Andover; Rolley for Methuen. 20 min. halves.

HONOR FOR FORMER ANDOVER BOY.

Hugh Bancroft yesterday resigned his office as assistant district attorney for Middlesex county. The resignation was placed in the hands of Dist. Atty. George A. Sanderson shortly after noon, and was immediately accepted.

Very soon afterward Mr. Sanderson appointed Arnold Scott of Newton, formerly of Andover, Mr. Bancroft's successor. Mr. Scott was at Mr. Sanderson's Boston office at 2 p. m., and qualified for the position.

Arnold Scott was born at Cambridge, the son of Rev. Dr. George R. W. Scott, a Congregational clergyman, who died in Berlin, Germany, while on a mission as a delegate to the national his mother's maiden name was Mary Elizabeth Dow.

Mr. Scott was educated in the public schools, spent four years in Berlin and Stuttgart, studied two years in the French school at Lausanne, Switzerland, returned to this country and spent the year 1891 at Phillips Andover and then two years at Phillips Exeter academy, graduating with the class of '93. Then he went to Harvard university, being graduated with the class of '97 and four years later was graduated from the Harvard law school. While he was at Andover and Exeter his father resided on School street, in this town.

It was in the same year of his graduation from the law school, 1901 that he was admitted to the bar, and he has since carried on a general practice at his present office in the Barristers' building, in Pemberton square, Boston.

He has served as trustee and administrator under the will of Moses A. Dow, and in that capacity has had charge of large real estate interests. He has been acting as general counsel for the Massachusetts lighting companies, having gas and electric light plants at Spencer, Arlington, Leominster, Milford and other places. He is one of the directors of the Commonwealth hospital and other corporations and has served in a trust capacity in many estates. He is a member of the Republican ward and city committee of Newton, of the Exchange and University clubs, is one of the founders and at present is secretary of the famous Tedesco country club of Swampscott. He lives at 186 Kenrick park, Newton.

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LIFE IN MILWAUKEE.

"Ever been in Milwaukee?" asked a man on the real estate exchange. It's famous for other things besides beer.

"Maybe you don't know it, but there are some things that the Milwaukee man thinks were left out of the declaration of independence by mistake, and among these are his appetite for fried onions and amateur piano recitals. They go with the beer and cheese which are found in the home of every native."

"Well, sir, this was all right until some of our aristocratic easterners went out there and embarked in business and began to kick about the odors and noises of next-door houses."

"These people who went out to Milwaukee went to the real estate board and threatened to throw up their leases if the natives didn't quit frying onions and banging plates. One member of the board I think must have lived in New York at one time—promulgated a series of questions to be submitted to every renter to be satisfactorily answered before a lease would be made out. I have a copy of the questions which I will read to you."

Thereupon he produced the following:

Are you now, or have you ever been, addicted to the use of fried onions, limburger cheese, cabbage or garlic?

Did you ever hold a dance in an upper flat?

Have you a talking machine or a music box?

Does any member of your family practice the piano, and if so, has she yet mastered the scales?

Do you believe in the inalienable right of each family to do as they please without the comment on the part of the neighbors?

Did you ever fail to find the keyhole on coming home at night?

Does your wife chide you at unseemly hours of the night in a strident voice?

Do you snore?

Can you pay your rent? If so, will you?

I don't know whether the board adopted these questions or not. I left town while they were under discussion."—New York Sun.

HEROIC ALPS GUIDE.

The old hero of the Alps, Leopold Grand, the Alpine guide of the Little St. Bernard, has just been decorated with the order of the Legion of Honor. None deserves the distinction better than he.

Grand lives in a tiny refuge hut on the Little St. Bernard, and has saved the lives of countless travelers who lost their way or were overcome by storms and avalanches while attempting to reach the St. Bernard hospice.

In 1857 Grand saved the lives of five travelers who were lost in a snow hurricane. His reward for this act was a silver medal. In the following year he received the order of Merit from the king of Italy for saving the lives of six Italians. In 1889 he rescued the single-handed, Mme. de Verrage, a French woman, who had been swept away by an avalanche and was rewarded by a gift of \$5.

Some years later Grand and his son went to the rescue of a detachment of Alpine troops that had been overcome by an avalanche. While toiling at the work of rescue Grand saw his son swept away before his eyes and dashed over the precipice.

The poor old father, recognizing that his son was killed, said a prayer and went on with his work of rescuing the soldiers, and after digging them out of the snow he carried them on by one on his back to his hut, a distance of nearly a mile. He succeeded in saving the lives of three of these men, and received from the government \$20 as his reward.

Again, in 1890, he rescued a party of Alpine troops from death, and now a year has passed without the heroic old man saving one or more travelers at the risk of his life.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

THE SWISS VOTE AND SING.

From the Churchman.

In contrast with the complicated ballots and election laws of this country is the simplest of all voting systems, still practiced in Switzerland by the showing of hands. Sometimes more than 100,000 people are gathered in the big market place.

Some of the men have come 20 or 30 miles to vote; for every man of voting age is fined if he does not report at the voting place.

The ceremony in the election described began with a solemn march of the dignitaries from the house where they had been waiting to the platform.

Then followed the singing of the Apenzell hymns and the long address by the landmann, during which every man removed his hat. After the address there was a silent prayer of half a minute and then the voting began.

"The men to be voted for happened to be the officers who had already served, and who were up for reelection. The name of each candidate was called out by the sheriff in a voice that was almost if not quite deafening."

"Then came the question, 'Will you replace him?' No one moved, but at the question, 'Will you confirm him?' a sea of hands went up on the instant, and so it was in every case. Such absolute unanimity was refreshing to see, apparently there was no division into parties."

WISDOM WHISPERS.

Placing the blame on another for your own mistakes does not always relieve you of responsibility.

Arguing a point shows a desire to find out what the other fellow knows.

Many a good deed falls flat through ostentatious display.

When dissatisfied with what you have just think of those who are less fortunate than you.

A bold bluff does not always carry conviction even though it may silence an opponent.

When love dies out there comes a feeling of desolation despite surroundings.

The value of an opinion rests entirely upon the position of the person expressing it.

Someone is sure to discover a fraud no matter how artfully it is concealed.

Making a senseless display in public gives evidence of a mind lacking in balance.

Mrs. Jenkins—My son writes that he is at the head of his class at college.

Mrs. Jones—O, the freshman class, isn't it?

Mrs. Jenkins—No. He calls it the "welterweight"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Stella—I see Kubelik insured his fingers for \$50,000. Bella—Wonder what it would cost to insure the third finger on my left hand?—New York Evening Sun.

ANDOVER CHURCHES

South Church Congregational

Central St., Organized 1711
Frank R. Shipman, Pastor

SUNDAY, JAN. 7

10.30 a. m. Morning worship, followed by the Communion. Also, sub primary department.

Sunday-school to follow.
9.30 p. m. Junior Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 p. m. Senior Y. P. S. C. E.

Leader, Mr. George White.
Tuesday, 7.30 p. m. In the Free Church, Boys' Brigade.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.45 p. m. Meetings of the West of the Union, sewing meeting.

St. Augustine's Church, Roman Catholic, Essex St., Organized 1850. Rev. Fr. McGowan, Pastor.

10.30 a. m. Mass and instruction, Sunday School following.

10.30 a. m. High Mass and sermon.
8.30 p. m. Vespers.

First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.

Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for children.

Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary and Arch Confraternity.

West Parish Congregational Church, Organized 1836. J. Edgar Park, Pastor.

10.30 a. m. Communion service
11.45 a. m. Sunday School.

2.45 p. m. Osgood Sunday-school and C. E. Society.

3.15 p. m. Abbott Sunday-school.
5.00 p. m. Christian Endeavor society.

Wednesday, 7.45 p. m. Prayer meeting.

Thursday, Social at home of Mrs. Wilcox, Abbott District.

Friday, Literary Circle with Mrs. G. K. Cutler.

Seminary Church, "On the Hill," Organized 1865. The Seminary Professors, Pastors.

SERVICES SUNDAY, JAN. 7

10.30 a. m. Morning worship, sermon by Prof. Flattner, to be followed by Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Sunday School after the Morning service in Baptist Chapel.

5.15 p. m. Phillips Academy Vesper Service.

Tuesday, 7.30 p. m. (instead of Wednesday) Prayer and Conference meeting in Baptist Chapel, in charge of the Seminary Society of Inquiry, Mr. Thornton B. Sheffield will speak.

Free Church, Congregational, Railroad St., Organized 1846. Rev. Frederic A. Wilson, Pastor.

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EXECUTIVE

Garfield on Federal Control.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations James R. Garfield emphasizes the administration's position—namely, that the great interstate corporations have gone beyond the possibility of proper control by state authorities and that the congress should so legislate as to afford an opportunity to present the question whether insurance is interstate commerce. He tells of extensive inquiries that have been made into the beef, oil and steel industries and promises a special report soon on oil.

James R. Garfield.

A bulletin of the American Geographical society announces that Henry Gannett, geographer of the geographical survey, has nearly completed a map of the United States which will measure about sixteen feet in width and ten or eleven feet in height. This map will show contours of elevation so that we shall be able to recognize the surface forms of the country very definitely. It is drawn on the scale of 1 to 1,000,000—that is, one inch on the map will represent about 15.8 miles on the earth's surface. It will show every town of importance, almost all the railroads, the navigable rivers to their heads, the height of many mountain tops, etc. This map will form one part of a great map of the world on the same scale which was recommended by the International Geographical congress.

Largest Map of United States.

Governor General Wright of the Philippines, who is now in this country on a vacation, says that if the next bids for the construction of railways in the Philippines are not acceptable one or more of the important lines will be constructed by the government. He thinks these railroads will help along the development of the island and thus make self government a possibility.

Government May Build Railroads.

On Christmas day the wireless telegraph station at the Washington navy yard succeeded in obtaining unbroken messages from Guantanamo, at the southeastern end of the island of Cuba. This is thought to make a new record for the government's wireless service, the distance being 1,500 miles.

Wireless Records Broken.

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Nebraska Attorney Bounced.

Irvin Baxter, United States district attorney for Nebraska, has been removed summarily from office by President Roosevelt. The announcement of Mr. Baxter's removal has been made at the White House. District Attorney Baxter, who was appointed to office last spring, prosecuted on behalf of the government the case against Richards & Comstock, cattle raisers, who were charged with fencing illegally the public lands in Nebraska and whose prosecution was brought about by investigations into land frauds made under the direction of Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock. The men were convicted and sentenced to six hours in the custody of the United States marshal. Practically no defense was made in the trial.

POLITICAL

Roosevelt For Senator.

The New York speakership fight in the Republican party, which has attracted general attention on account of the injection of President Roosevelt's personality into the contest against the Odell machine, takes on fresh interest with the open declaration of war between the Higgins and Odell factions. One of the reports current was to the effect that the election of Wadsworth as speaker by the administration forces would be a part of a long range plan to give the president complete control of the party in New York, so that at the end of his term in the White House he could be elected to the United States senate while waiting for another four years to pass and give him the privilege of again becoming a presidential candidate.

McClellan Again Mayor.

The certificate of election having been finally delivered to Mayor McClellan of New York for his second term in that office, he was duly inaugurated Jan. 1. The plurality as officially declared was 3,472 after the corrections and the examination of the void and protested ballots. Notwithstanding the inauguration of McClellan the Hearst people say that they intend to ask the legislature for a bill authorizing the opening of all ballot boxes for a recount.

Activity of Boston's Moran.

John B. Moran, the new district attorney of Boston, has been making good his campaign promises by closing up the fashionable hotel bars in obedience to the letter of the law. Mr. Moran is a Democrat by preference and a bachelor on the sunny side of forty. He had attained local note as a criminal lawyer.

Blackburn's Mail Diverted.

Friends of Senator Blackburn of Kentucky have filed charges with the postoffice department to the effect that mail sent by him to Frankfort, the capital of the state, bearing on the senatorial contest, had found its way into the hands of his political opponents. Blackburn is opposed by Senator Beckham and a member of prominent Democrats. Blackburn's term expires March 3, 1907.

Governor Beckham admitted that he opened two letters addressed to Senator Blackburn, but that he did so unintentionally, and further, that while one of the letters might have been used by him to advantage, he did not so use it. The governor explains that "J. C. W. Beckham" and "J. C. S. Blackburn" are so similar that any one might mistake the address.

The senator's friends admit the possibility of such an error, but they cannot account for a mistake regarding the letter from the Allen county Republican representative addressed "Senator J. C. S. Blackburn," which was not discovered by Governor Beckham, but by one of his political henchmen, State Inspector Hines, who chanced to be in the office and to whom the governor passed the letter for perusal.

For Pan American Congress.

Secretary of State Root has named the committees composed of the representatives of various American republics to arrange the details of the Pan American conference at Rio Janeiro next July which is to be attended by Mr. Root and other American delegates. The third committee has been appointed to plan the permanent organization of the bureau of American republics.

Another Indiana Scandal.

Governor Hanly of Indiana has carried forward his housecleaning by calling for the resignation of Secretary of State Daniel H. Storms on account of other irregularities discovered in his office by the auditing committee. Friends of Storms are urging him to refuse to resign, and he has been advised by lawyers that the governor has no power to remove him, he being a constitutional officer and subject to removal by the legislature only after impeachment and trial.

LEGAL-CRIMINAL

Ohio Indicts Bridge Trust.

The grand jury at Napoleon, O., has returned eighteen indictments against the Ohio bridge companies on the charge of forming a combination to keep the prices high in violation of the Valentine antitrust law. It is charged that the state has been divided into districts by the bridge combine and certain companies assigned to certain districts so as to kill out all competition on bridge work. Under the same law the coal dealers of Cincinnati have been indicted for raising prices.

Swindler Latimer Run Down.

William H. Latimer, the professional gambler and manager of the President Investment bureau which was driven from cover at Philadelphia last spring,

has been arrested at Calgary, Alberta, in the Canadian northwest, under an assumed name. The arrest was made in response to the request of District Attorney Bell of Philadelphia as the result of indictments returned against Latimer by the grand jury.

FOREIGN

Thousands Slain at Moscow.

After a week of unconfirmed rumors concerning the progress of the general strike inaugurated against the government of Russia the news of a great battle in the streets of Moscow reached the world. It was said that as many as 15,000 rebels had been killed or wounded. Artillery was used against barricades which had been erected at certain points and against the houses which were known to shelter revolutionists, and the entire city was threatened with flames. The soldiers of all branches of the service displayed unexpected loyalty. Bombs thrown from house tops and revolvers shot from windows increased the loyalty of the troops.

The failure of the railroad employees to respond to the general strike on Dec. 20 seemed to forebode the failure of the revolutionary movement at this time. The mill workers at St. Petersburg wavered, and then many returned to work. All the factories and public works as well as the principal thoroughfares were constantly guarded by the troops. The forty-seven members of the revolutionary committee were surrounded and captured by the troops, and thus the detailed plans for the revolt and large quantities of arms and bombs were secured by the government.

One report of the Moscow rebel formation ran thus: "The revolutionists are divided in three 'armies.' The first, consisting of 800 men armed with rifles and pikes, is operating between Moscow and Pervovo, using the railroad, which it controls. Artillery and cavalry are being employed against this force. The second 'army' is armed especially with bombs and revolvers and is composed of 1,000 persons, in whose ranks are many women, who display not only bravery but ferocity. This force is operating in the region between the Sadovia district and the Hebrew market, has many barricades to prevent the passage of troops, is operating in small groups and is attacking patrols. When pressed these revolutionists disappear into alleys and houses. Artillery, cavalry and infantry are used against this body. The third and largest 'army' is operating in the region between the Brest railroad station and the Triumphal gate. It also has many barricades and is engaged in guerrilla tactics."

A new electoral law was gazetted by the government extending the suffrage to the cities so as to make it almost universal. The voting list is to include every owner of real estate who pays taxes, all persons paying a lodging tax and to those in the government service, including railroad men.

Revolt in Santo Domingo.

Word came from the capital of Santo Domingo that on Christmas day President Morales had left the city for a destination unknown owing to an uprising organized by powerful opponents. Later it became known that Morales had broken with his cabinet and with Vice President Caceres, formerly a partisan of General Jimenez. The effect of this uprising on the controversy between President Roosevelt and the senate over the Dominican treaty was watched with great interest at Washington, and it was understood that the Democrats, with the aid of some Republicans, would oppose the president's plan.

King Alfonso's Engagement.

The engagement of King Alfonso of Spain to the Princess Ena of Battenberg, only daughter of Princess Henry and niece of King Edward of England, has been officially announced, the bride having consented to enter the Catholic church. Already great preparations are being made for the coming wedding at Madrid. It is said that the public fountains will run with wine.

Premier Bannerman's Programme.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the new Liberal premier of Great Britain, has announced that the pivotal issue of the coming campaign will be the maintenance of free trade. He says that there will be no change in the foreign policy and that in regard to home rule the government would do nothing tending to the political separation of the kingdoms. His policy would be based upon the principle "that all the domestic affairs which concern the Irish alone ought to be placed in their hands." In India he intimates that he will reverse Balfour's policy by maintaining the subordination of the military to the civil authorities. In South Africa he proposes to substitute a freely elected for an appointive legislature and to stop the importation of coolies.

New Japanese Ambassador.

Viscount Suizo Aoki has been appointed ambassador to the United States. He was twice minister of foreign affairs and twice minister to Germany. He comes as the first ambassador from Japan to this country. He was educated in Germany, but speaks English fluently. His wife is of German birth. The viscount is about sixty years old.

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METHUEN.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NOTES.

At the Congregational Sunday school annual meeting Sunday noon the following officers were re-elected: Superintendent, Frank Remick; assistant superintendent, J. Frank Emerson; secretary and treasurer, Alfred Gaunt; assistant secretary and treasurer, Irving Archibald; librarian, Carl Norris; assistant librarian, Clarence Fogg; organist, Marion B. Emerson; superintendent of primary department, Mrs. Charles H. Oliphant. The reports of the officers showed the school to be in a prosperous condition.

A new plan has been adopted in the school, namely, that of taking up the Bible study without the use of the quarterly. This is being done by all the classes of the school with the exception of the primary grades, and the advanced Bible class. The book of Acts is to be taken up chapter by chapter. While this is an experiment here, it is expected that the plan will work well as the teachers will get much valuable help in presenting the subject-matter of each lesson from the teachers' meetings which are held weekly, and which will from now on be very important.

In connection with the regular evening service of the church there was an exhibition and graduation of the infant department, eight children being presented with diplomas by the Rev. C. H. Oliphant in recognition of their attainments in Bible study. Those who were thus honored were: Eva Ephlin, Donald Moore, Samuel Fieldhouse, Sidney Metcalf, Edward Archibald, Sigrid Mikalson, Ruth Buswell and Frank Learned. Sigrid Mikalson was further honored by the presentation of a silver star in recognition of excellence in his studies. These children recited an outline history of the Hebrews from the time of Abraham, through the Old Testament, a very credible performance.

The notices of the church for the week are as follows:

Monday, 7.30, annual meeting of the Phillips Circle of King's Daughters with Mrs. E. A. Archibald. Leader, Miss Holden. Subject, "My Work."

Tuesday, 7.30, preparatory service in view of the Lord's Supper. Subject "Facing the Dawn." Rom. 8:12-39. 2 Peter 3:8-18.

Friday, 3.00, Missionary meeting in the church parlor, to be followed in the same place by a meeting of the Benevolent society; 7.30, Junior Circle King's Daughters will hold their annual meeting with election of officers at the chapel. Refreshments will be served. A full attendance is desired; 7.45, Teachers' meeting with the superintendent. It is very important that every teacher who can do so attend these meetings.

Sunday next the Communion of the Lord's Supper will be administered at morning worship.

The annual meeting of the church will be held in the chapel at 6.30 p. m. January 9th, 1906.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

At the Baptist church Sunday morning the Christmas music was given by the choir. The program included the following musical numbers:

Anthem, "While Shepherds Watched," Lansing

Choir, "Night of Nights," Vandewater

Scio, "Night of Nights," Vandewater

Response, "Adeste Fideles," Male Quartet.

Anthem, "Behold! a King," Choir.

S. W. Kenison was choir director and Mrs. Noyes organist.

Rev. R. B. Fisher, the pastor, spoke in the morning on the theme, "A Look Forward." In the evening his subject was "Kinsfolk of Jesus Christ."

Tuesday evening the regular weekly prayer meeting of the church will be held. The subject will be "My Prayer for the Year."

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock a meeting of the Women's Missionary society will be held at the parsonage.

Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock the monthly covenant meeting of the church will be held.

A "Week of Prayer," from January 7th to January 14, will be observed at the Baptist church. Next Sunday morning the Rev. W. E. Witter, D. D., of Boston, will preach. The pastor will preach on the appointed topics each evening of the week except Saturday.

COLLIDED WITH A MILK WAGON.

Car No. 98, on the Lawrence and Methuen line, running between Lawrence and the town farm, Methuen, collided with a milk train belonging to George E. Townsend at 10.45 o'clock Wednesday morning, smashing the train considerably, but injuring no one. Mr. Townsend was coming down Grove street, which branches out abruptly into Railroad street, and did not see the approaching car, until it was upon him. He jumped from the train but the car collided with the wagon, breaking the shafts and freeing the horse which ran away, being caught near the Townsend farm.

The step of the car was smashed. The car was in charge of Conductor Atwood and Motorman Bingham.

KEPT THEIR WEDDING A PROFOUND SECRET.

LYNN, Jan. 3.—News of the secret marriage in Concord, N. H., Sept. 29, 1905, of Miss Florence C. Davis, the 20-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Davis to Frank A. Cloutier of Lawrence, leaked out today. Since their marriage they have managed to keep the secret from even their nearest friends, only the parents of the bride being let in on the secret.

The bride and groom have known each other for the past three years and all their friends had expected they would sooner or later become man and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloutier gave as their reason for being secretly married, that they did not want a large wedding, and so took this method. Miss Davis was a student at the Lynn High school until last June when she graduated. She is very popular with the younger set in East Lynn where she lives.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cloutier of this city and was formerly employed by the railroad here. Later he was transferred to Lawrence, but numerous business trips to Lynn enabled him to be often with his bride.

It was only today that the news got out when the brother of the groom received a special delivery letter telling of the marriage. The couple will now hold a reception after which they will reside in Lawrence.

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F. S. BOUTWELL, Clerk.

ANOTHER DELUGE COMING.

Sir Archibald Geikie, the famous geologist, delivered a lecture at Cambridge in connection with the newly-formed department of geography on the "Evolution of Landscape." He said the great fact which met the student of physical geography at every step was the universal decay of the surface of the land.

This decay was so material that even if the agencies now at work were forever to increase their activity a comparatively short period would suffice to reduce most of the dry land to the level of the sea and confront us with another deluge.—New York World.

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The Andover Savings Bank.

It is quite properly a matter of great pride to those who know the real condition of the Andover Savings Bank, that this institution is making such an excellent showing at the present time. It was not so very long ago that there was considerable satisfaction over the reaching of the mark of a "three million dollar bank", and that was indeed a position that was most creditable to the institution and its management. But that mark has now been bettered by another million, and the strides that have been made in reaching that place have been very rapid during the past year or two.

And this gain has not come through any letting down in the conservative methods that the bank has always stood for, as may readily be learned by investigation. To illustrate from the last statement it will be seen that the items of bank stocks, and bonds of different kinds, are carried at a figure of upwards of \$2,000,000. This amount is fixed from the par value of the different items in every case, and they all represent conservative investments; yet, if taken at their value in the market, the assets would show a gain of nearly \$200,000. During the past year the amount of real estate held by foreclosure has been reduced by nearly \$50,000, until today the amount held in that way is very small. The profit and loss account shows a handsome balance on the right side, and every other item of the whole statement is "A 1".

No small part of the credit for this splendid gain is due to President Flint and his close associates of the investment committee. They have been very active in the bank's interest, and the fruit of their labors is now being seen in its present condition.

The Compliment to Andover.

The election, by the Massachusetts House of Representatives, of John N. Cole, of Andover, for Speaker, is an honor to the individual and to the Town, that is deserving of a passing word in this column.

The word is solely that of appreciation on the part of the writer. Appreciation not only of the great compliment from the two hundred and forty associates in the Legislature, but even larger appreciation of the loyal home support that has made the honor possible. The cordial words of interest during the past two months have meant much in the campaign, and the even larger interest and satisfaction expressed over the successful outcome have meant even more. To the friends on all sides there can be no other message than that of a renewed pledge of loyal service that shall ever be inspired by the best Andover traditions.

Editorial Cinders.

The first act of the new board of County Commissioners, after they were organized, was to cancel all existing contracts for public work and throw out of consideration all plans and advertisements for proposed new work. This is shown at once the hand of the new commissioner, Mr. Kimball of Newburyport, and the citizens of the County will rejoice that the start is made toward more businesslike methods in the conduct of County affairs. The board organized with the choice of Mr. Bates as chairman, but there is very clearly a new factor to be reckoned with even if Mr. Kimball is to be but an "ordinary member".

Mr. Kimball is reported to be insistent that hereafter all records shall be kept accurately, and that all meetings shall be properly called and held in the proper place. The next step to this is sure to be a continuance of the same systematic method in doing all the business of the board, and it would look as if the end of slipshod methods in Essex County affairs was at an end. We congratulate Mr. Kimball upon his good start, and we congratulate the County upon the promise there is in his assumption of the office.

The hearty "amens" that have come from all sides in response to the words in this column of last week regarding the boys and girls, show that the problem is recognized by a large number of our citizens. But it is not enough to "see the evil"; we have all been doing that for a long while; it is now time to be "up and doing". What is the remedy?

Weather Record.

Temperature taken in the morning between 5 and 7 o'clock and at noon between 12 and 1 o'clock.

1904 Morn. Noon.	1905 Morn. Noon.
Dec. 29 22 30	Dec. 29 36 47
" 30 18 32	" 30 35 40
" 31 28 40	" 31 30 38
1905 Jan. 1 36 48	Jan. 1 24 35
" 2 34 42	" 2 16 26
" 3 32 26	" 3 11 28
" 4 16 22	" 4 38 48

A PROSPEROUS YEAR.

Andover Savings Bank Holds Annual Meeting and Figures Show it to be in a Very Strong Financial Condition.

The annual meeting of the members of the Andover Savings Bank was held at the Bank on Monday afternoon, Jan. 1st. The condition of the Bank as found by the Auditing Committee was given and is as follows:

LIABILITIES.	
Deposits,	\$3,739,290.03
Guaranty Fund,	180,000.00
Suspense Account,	2,735.21
Profit and Loss Account,	52,267.21
	\$3,974,292.05

ASSETS.	
Public Funds,	\$480,558.00
Bank Stock,	183,818.00
Railroad Bonds,	1,170,788.75
Real Estate by Foreclosure,	24,850.00
Loans on Real Estate, (Mortgages),	1,625,493.59
Loans on Personal Security,	423,415.55
Loans on Collateral Security,	1,985.00
Loans to Counties, Cities or Towns,	3,400.00
Boston Terminal Bonds,	20,000.00
Deposit in Banks,	33,291.29
Cash on Hand,	6,092.87
	\$3,974,292.05

The Board of Trustees was re-elected with the addition of Sam D. Stevens. The other officers were re-elected. At the Trustees meeting following the above the Investing Committee and Auditing Committee were re-elected.

A communication from T. F. Pratt resigning his position in the Bank to accept another with George Mixer of Boston was read and accepted. George Hussey of the Board of Public Works office has been chosen to take his place. The auditing committee which was elected consists of Peter D. Smith, Felix G. Haynes and Horace H. Tyler.

Our Boys.

Yes, indeed, we had a meeting and a royally good time as the company all agreed. There were three helpers, three guests and twenty-five boys. We began in the good old-fashioned way with our A B C and from there got:

Our start—A beginning class.
Our name—Andover Boys' club.
Our model—A better citizen.
Our aim—A bully crowd.

The alphabet scheme worked so well that we adopted the initial of our Guild and started three groups which we hope will include every name in Andover that represents a live interest in our future citizens. You may enter any time: Our guests. Our givers. Our gifts. Mrs. Griswold, Mr. Beach and Mr. Guy Gilbert furnished a short programme of music and readings, then after a short talk on the club's work, refreshments that had been furnished by two more of our G. families, were served. The evening closed with a rousing game of egg football.

An Afternoon of Chamber Music by the Kneisel Quartet.

We are glad to present the programme which the Kneisels will play next Monday afternoon to the Andover public. The opening number by Beethoven is one of the master's greatest quartettes, written about the middle of his wonderful creative period. The glorious melody or Etude by Chopin has been heard here before and all are eager for it again. The last four numbers are new to Andover. The Dvorak Terzetto is charming, and gives an opportunity to hear the mystical tones of the viola to the best advantage. The last but one number by Tschalkowsky played as it will be on Monday afternoon, has perhaps called forth greater praise than any other number because of its simple beauty.

Following is the programme:
Franz Kneisel, 1st Violin,
Louis Svecenski, Viola,
J. von Theodorowicz, 2d Violin,
Alvin Schroeder, Violoncello,
Beethoven, Quartet in E minor, op. 30, No. 2
Chopin, "Lento" for Violoncello Solo and Strings,
Mr. Schroeder
Dvorak, Terzetto for Two Violins and Viola,
op. 74
a. Haydn, from Quartet in C major, op. 76, No. 3
b. Tschalkowsky, Andante cantabile
c. Ruff, from Quartet in D minor.

Rebekah's Install Officers.

Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge installed officers on Monday evening before one of the largest meetings in the history of the organization. A supper was held from half past six to half past seven served by the ladies.

The installation exercises then followed, Mrs. Ada F. Snell and suite of Methuen performing the work. The following were inducted into office: Noble grand, Mrs. Emma L. Burt; vice grand, Mrs. Ellen O. Eastman; recording secretary, Mrs. Carrie H. Conkey; financial secretary, Mrs. Hattie A. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Stella M. Lowd.

Odd Fellows Hold Annual.

Andover lodge, No. 230, I. O. O. F., held its annual meeting on Wednesday evening, December 27, when the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: N. G., Ira Eastman; V. G., Harry P. Abbott; recording secretary, Frank M. Smith; financial secretary, Walter S. Rhodes; treasurer, George E. Holt; trustee for three years, L. H. Eames. The installation exercises will be held on next Wednesday evening, January 10 and will be conducted by District Deputy, Jesse J. Prescott and suite of Methuen. A collation will be served after the installation.

Installation Tonight.

The following recently elected officers have been chosen by the W. R. C. for the ensuing year and will be installed tonight: President, Mrs. Kate C. White; Sen. Vice Pres., Mrs. Lizzie P. Morse; Jun. Vice Pres., Mrs. M. Belle Eastman; Treasurer, Miss Delia Curley; Chaplain, Mrs. Mary E. Anderson; Conductor, Mrs. Annie Barton; Guard, Mrs. Olive Holt.

The Lawrence Ice company has purchased the property and good-will of the Andover Ice company who have been doing business in town for the past four years.

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To Buy Our Line of SLEDS and SKATES.

We always carry the Largest Line and Lowest Price of any store in Lawrence. They are all ready; come in and look them over.

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Pleasant Evening at Grange.

A very pleasant evening was enjoyed at the Andover Grange on Tuesday afternoon and evening in observance of the annual meeting of the Women's club. The meeting of the ladies was held in the afternoon when officers were elected for the ensuing year and this was followed by a supper and entertainment in the evening at which were present the male members of the society. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. Frank Foster; vice president, Mrs. J. Warren Moore; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Samuel H. Bailey. Other important business was also transacted.

At half past seven a fine oyster supper which was of the usual Grange standing, was served in the banquet hall. Following this the entertainment was given the first number being a guessing contest which created much amusement. Miss Alice Holt then rendered a vocal solo, Miss Charlotte Baker gave a reading and Miss Marion Abbott followed with a piano solo. A duet was given by Mr. and Mrs. McGraw, which was one of the features of the entertainment, the former playing the harmonica and the latter the piano. Dancing was then enjoyed for the remaining few hours.

The committee who made the affair so delightfully successful consisted of Misses Caroline Burt, Lucia Burt, Luella Phelps, Madeline Hughes, Alma Bailey, and Gayton Abbott, Ralph Bailey, Philip Moore, Chester D. Abbott and William Flint.

Returns to Boston.

After having been compelled through ill health to give up a fine position in Boston and working in town for the past two years, T. Frank Pratt is again working in Boston in the office of George Mixer, State street, having started on Wednesday.

Mr. Pratt had held a responsible position in the Old Boston National Bank in Boston for a number of years when he was taken ill two years ago and his physician advised him to give up his position which he did. He then went into the Andover Savings Bank where he has been a clerk ever since.

Mr. Pratt's position will be filled by one of Andover's most promising young men, George E. Hussey. He has been clerk in the office of the Board of Public Works for the past 12 years and is well and favorably known throughout the town. Previous to that time he was an employee of the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance company.

Both positions come as pleasant New Year surprises as they were unsolicited by either man.

Advertised Letters

Unclaimed letters Jan. 1, 1906
Anderson, Signe [2] Morgan, Mrs. M. A.
Bartley, Hannah Nutting, Fred'k W.
Campbell, Alis Park, Mrs. Chas. W.
Daneck, Mrs. Eliz. Perkins, J. H.
Foster, J. H. Shaw, Mrs. Arthur
Malmgren, Mrs. Lillian Stockpole, Mrs. A. W.
Mittro, Mrs. W. W. Wood, John
Wilkinson, Frank
ARTHUR BLISS, P.M.

Santa Claus at the South Church.

The children of the South church Sunday school enjoyed their annual entertainment and Christmas tree in the vestry last Friday evening and although the entertainment was not of the same variety as has been held in former years, it was interesting to the older members as well as profitable.

Envelopes had been distributed to all the members of the school that they might put in as large or small amount as they could afford. They were also to write some resolution and place it in the envelope with the money. The entertainment consisted in opening these envelopes, counting the money and reading the resolutions. In some of the envelopes large sums of money were found and the pledges were very interesting. Rev. Mr. Shipman and F. R. Foster had charge of this part of the program.

A piano solo was then finely rendered by Miss Alice Kendall. The feature of the evening which pleased the scholars the most was the sight of four large Christmas trees. These were beautifully decorated with many electric lights and were woven with popcorn and silver tinsel. Santa Claus in all his regalia spoke in a happy vein to the children for a short time and then he distributed the boxes of candy which were piled on the platform. Santa was impersonated by G. C. Cannon.

Eaton Sues Again.

Suit was brought against William X. Pike & Co., last Saturday, in behalf of Horace P. Eaton of this town, who was injured by being struck by a telephone wire and knocked from his team in Marland Village. Suit was originally brought against the New England Telephone Company and the town of Andover, but the evidence at the recent trial in superior court in Lawrence, disclosed that the town could not be held and a verdict for the defendant against the Telephone company was also ordered by the court, since it appeared that the Telephone company repaired the wire as soon as possible after information was received that the wire was down. The case was taken to the supreme court where it is now pending.

The new suit is brought against Mr. Pike because of evidence that the wire was broken by one of his men who was moving an engine and who went away leaving the wire in the street. The plaintiff is represented by Donovan & Arundel.

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Recital in Bartlet Chapel.

It gives us much pleasure to announce the coming of Prof. Carl Baermann among us. The program is one of finest artistic balance and full of classic and romantic beauty. One of the purposes of the concert is to begin a fund toward a new organ for the Seminary chapel. Below is the program:

PROGRAM.

Mozart, Fantasia, C minor, (Dedicated to his wife)
Beethoven, Sonata, F minor, op. 51
Allegro con moto
Andante con moto
Allegro ma non troppo, Presto
Field, Nocturne E flat, major
C. Baermann, Valse—Romance
Liszt, Feux Follets
Chopin, Ballade, G minor
Schumann, Carnaval. Scenes mignonnes for piano. Op. 9.
Prelude, F minor, Arlequin. Valse noble. Eusebius. Forestan. Coquette. Repique. Papillons. Lettres d'Espagne. Chantrel. Chopin. Estrella. Renaissance. Fantasia et Colombine. Valse allemande. Paganini. Aveu. Promenade. Marche des "Davidbandler" contre les Philistins.

"Carl Baermann comes of a famous musical family. His grandfather was a celebrated clarinet player, considered a model of perfect playing in all the cities of Europe, where he travelled with his intimate friend, Weber. Weber composed several concertos especially for him. Mr. Baermann's father was a distinguished musician also, and a player of the clarinet and held important posts in Munich musical life. Weber was his godfather; he earned much recognition from Wagner for his influence in reconciling orchestra players to the innovation of the difficult Wagnerian scores; Liszt played at his house; Mendelssohn, Chopin, Berlioz and Meyerbeer followed his career with affectionate interest.

"Born into this musical atmosphere, Carl Baermann showed his taste for music at a very early age. Besides his home studies he was taught at the Munich Conservatory, and later became a favorite pupil of Liszt in composition as well as in piano playing. Peter Cornelius and Franz Lachner were also his instructors. He was made professor in the "King's Music School," founded by von Bilow, and the rare title of "King's Professor" was conferred on him by King Ludwig. He gave the first performance of Liszt's A Major Concerto, in Munich, and in the early days of doubt enthusiastically labored in revealing Liszt's true position in the world of art."—From Philadelphia Etude.

Change in Running Time.

The officials of the Haverhill & Andover Street Railway company, have posted notices this week announcing a new schedule of time between this town and Haverhill. Following is the notice: Beginning January first cars leave Haverhill for North Andover and Andover at 5.45 a. m. and every hour until 9.45 p. m. Returning leave Andover square for North Andover and Haverhill at 6.30 a. m. and every hour until 10.30.

Leave Sutton's corner for Andover at 6.15 a. m. and every hour until 10.15 p. m. Returning leave Sutton's corner for Haverhill at 6.45 a. m. and every hour until 10.45 p. m.
Leave Wilson's corner for Andover square at 6.25 a. m., and every hour until 10.25 p. m. Returning leave Wilson's corner for Sutton's corner, North Andover and Haverhill at 6.55 a. m. and every hour until 10.55 p. m.

WEST PARISH.

The Self Improvement society met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Cha. Newton.

Mrs. G. A. Andrews of Holliston spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Morrill.

Mrs. Henry Shaw of Somerville is spending a few days at the home of her brother, John B. Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Averill attended the Pomona Grange meeting in West Boxford yesterday.

Miss Victoria Palm has returned to Somerville after spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Palm.

The Christian Endeavor of Osgood District held its semi-annual business meeting Sunday evening. The following officers were elected: president, Miss Mary E. Whitaker; vice-president, Mrs. Ida E. Shaw; secretary, Miss Anna E. Chase; treasurer, Mrs. Porter Livingston; Chairman of the various committees: social, Mrs. George W. Spickler; prayer meeting, Miss Marion Greenwood; sunshine, Miss Ruth E. Shaw; music, Miss Grace Spinney.

Call at Farr's Remnant Store, 38 Appleton street, Lawrence, and look over the stock of fine dress goods.

Enjoyable Dancing Party.

An enjoyable dancing party was held in Pilgrim hall, Friday evening, about 90 well known people from this town and a number from Lawrence being present. Thomas' orchestra furnished the music. At intermission cake and ice cream were sold by Caterer Frank P. Higgins. The following young men were in charge: Chester Whitten, Robert Hill, Edward Roggerman, Charles Burt, and Walter Thompson.

The following were in attendance: Misses Agnes Gillen, Flossie Lindsay, Elsie Wood, Martha Roggerman, Luella Phelps, Kitty Walsh, Helen Bailey, Annie Coleman, Isabella Dean, Ruth Dean, Irene Gould, Lillian Rogers, Miss Carey, Ella Barton, Margaret Gordon and Edith Hunter.

Messrs James Blaine Gillen, Harry Chadwick, Charles Riddoch, Robert Lockhead, Cleveland Mills, Charles Hemenway, Walter Thompson, Robert Hill, Charles Burt, Howard Bell, Malcolm McTernan, Ralph Bailey, Gerald D'Arcy, William Hardy, George Rhodes, William Bliss, George Sellars, Dudley Lindsay, Chester Whitten, Clarence Weeks, William Knipe, Andrew Collins, Everett Hilton, George Pearce, Frederick Cleever, Edward Roggerman, George Rhodes, Thomas Chadwick, George Abbott, Daniel Abbott.

New Year's Dancing Party.

A very jolly New Year's dancing party was held in the November club house on last Saturday evening and was given by the Messrs. Fullerton to a number of their friends. Thomas' orchestra furnished the music for the dancing which was enjoyed until about half past eleven. During the evening refreshments were served by Caterer Allen Hinton.

The following young people attended: Misses Sarah Hincks, Constance Freeman, Cornelia Williams, Francis Tyler, Edith Tyler, Olive Williams, Elizabeth Williams, Elizabeth Cole, Esmeralda Brooks, Susanna Smith, Dorothy Ballard, Chicago, H. Marion Laurie, Laurie, Pa. Margaret McLean and Harry Tyler, Edward Price, Jr., W. D. Fullerton, Theodore Armsted, Paul Brooks, M. M. Fullerton, Allen McCurdy, E. Barton Chapin, D. L. Fullerton, Fred Baldwin, Carol Hincks, James Howson, Boston, Charles Otis, Henry P. Otis, Charles T. Ryder.

Mrs. W. D. Fullerton, Mrs. E. A. Baldwin, Mrs. Warren K. Moorehead and Mrs. Horace H. Tyler were matrons.

Dancing Class Reception.

The dancing class conducted by Mrs. Charles Barnard held a reception in the G. A. R. hall on Wednesday evening and was an exceedingly enjoyable event for the class which is being taught by Mrs. Barnard and for their invited guests. There was a large attendance, the majority being young people.

At intermission ice cream and cake were served by Mr. Brown of Brown's Spa. The dance broke up shortly before midnight.

New Year's Reception.

The Andover Girl's club gave its annual New Year's reception at the Guild house January 4. Including members and guests over 150 were present. The entertainment of the evening, which was very successful, was in the hands of Mrs. Hocking's club and consisted of tableaux illustrating selections from Hiawatha and Miles Standish, the scenes chosen being Hiawatha's wooing. The Death of Minnie ha ha, Miles Standish charging Alden with his message to Priscilla. There was also a Statue of Liberty tableau and a vivid representation of Blue Beard's wives. Miss Baker gave a monologue entitled, "The Country Dressmaker," and Miss Carter and Mr. Buck sang before and between the tableaux. Refreshments were served and the evening ended with dancing.

Hyde Lectures on Foreign Missions for 1906.

The Reverend James L. Barton, D.D., formerly Missionary to Turkey and President of Epiphany College, under the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and since 1894 one of its Foreign Secretaries, will deliver the Hyde Lectures in Lecture Room A, Bartlet Chapel, beginning on Thursday, January eighteenth. The subject of the course is "The Regeneration of Turkey." The special topics and the hours for the several lectures are as follows:

Jan. 18, 4 p. m.—History, Government, Races and Religions.
Jan. 19, 4 p. m.—Strategic Centre for Missions.
Jan. 23, 4 p. m.—Pioneering and Planting.
Jan. 24, 4 p. m.—Reform, Persecution and Evolution.
Jan. 25, 4 p. m.—Intellectual Renaissance.
Jan. 26, 4 p. m.—Results, with Recent Vital Questions.
There will be no lecture on Monday, Jan. 22.

A cordial invitation is extended to the ministers of the vicinity, and to all who are interested in this timely and important subject, to attend these lectures by one so especially qualified to speak.

Transferred to Philadelphia.

Rev. M. J. Locke was suddenly called from the assistant pastorate of St. Augustine's church and was transferred to an assistant pastorate in Philadelphia. The transfer was ordered on Saturday and Fr. Locke left on Sunday for his new field of labor. His removal came as a great surprise and with feelings of regret to the parishioners of St. Augustine's church and at Ballardvale and Wilmington where Fr. Locke had charge. He was loved by all who knew him and although they do not regret his advancement yet they are sorry to lose him.

Fr. Locke has been stationed at St. Augustine's church for the past five years having come here from Villanova college.

Fr. Morrison of the St. Augustine's church in Philadelphia, Pa., has been appointed to take Fr. Locke's place and he has already taken up his duties. He is a graduate of Villanova college and was stationed at Lawrence several years ago. He will have charge of the Ballardvale and Wilmington parishes.

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COMMUNICATION

Our Boys and Girls.

Dear Townsman: Permit me to express most hearty thanks for that timely and truthful editorial which appeared in your columns of last week on "Parental Law and Order." And I have no doubt that all your readers who have lived any length of time, or have gone through the world with open eyes, will also be ready to endorse every word and line contained therein. It must be plainly evident to the most careless observer, that taken as a whole, the youth of the present generation are not what they should be in conduct and character. No past generation of boys and girls, ever enjoyed so many, or such magnificent advantages and blessings, in an intellectual and moral point of view, as those with which the youth of the present day are favored. And yet the imperfect use which they make of these privileges is sad to behold. The boast which is often made that this is an age of improvement and progress, hardly holds true as it regards the general behavior of our growing youth. Indeed, it seems to the writer, that in this respect there has been a fearful retrograde both in manners and conduct. If the fathers and mothers of fifty years ago, should appear again and see the sights and hear the language used by boys on our streets they would stand aghast with grief and horror. I think it safe to say that no person, even twenty-five years ago, ever saw a group of boys from seven to fifteen years of age, blocking our sidewalks, idling their time, and smoking filthy cigarettes. But that is not uncommon in this good town of churches, libraries, and schools. Or, if you have a garden, your fruit and flowers are stolen, lawns trampled and walls thrown down right before your own face and eyes. And if you kindly remonstrate, you are met with a volley of impudent and scurrilous epithets, or a shower of stones. But I need not multiply examples of youthful profligacy, often bordering on crime, that occur in our small communities, to say nothing of the fearful condition of things found among the slums of our cities.

But what is the remedy? Pre-eminently more perfect discipline and personal and watchful attention by parents over their children at home and around their own firesides. Through indifference or want of foresight, parents are too inclined to turn their children over to kindergartens, guilds, and Sunday school, for moral training and instruction. These all may be useful to a certain extent, but they can never take the place of parental discipline and oversight in the matter of manners and behavior. Second, avoid too much coddling and indulgence. Teach the child early the lessons of obedience and self-denial. Some parents, and others who are not parents, are mightily afraid that children won't get enough play and frolic. But there is never much danger in this regard. And it would do no harm to impress occasionally on the mind the thought that this world was not made to be one vast playground, or life a constant scene of frolic and fun. Third, keep the boys and girls at home nights. More mischief is learned and more schemes of evil planned by the young who are allowed to crowd our streets at night than the teachings of a Sunday school could counteract in a year or a lifetime. There is no place like home for children after sunset, unless attended by parents, or in the care of some responsible person. And that is the only way we can know what they are about, or what kind of company they keep. And I regret to see on the very page of this paper which contains your excellent editorial, an invitation "to all boys between fourteen and eighteen, who are interested in forming a boy's club are invited to the Guild house at 7 p. m. sharp on Monday evening, Jan. 1st, 1906. There will be music, readings, a welcome from 'New Year's' and a football game."

Here is a project ostensibly for the purpose of affording a course of evening's amusement to boys of that age, but it takes them away from their homes and the watchful care of their parents. We have no doubt of the good intentions of the authors of this scheme, but we think such boys could be better employed around their own firesides in cultivating the art of "music, readings" and even "football" if that is essential to the development of a high standard of character and usefulness. The club that is most needed, is one composed of fathers and mothers, where they may be taught how to manage and take care of their own children. When such an one is started the writer would be glad to be one of its charter members.

A PARENT.

West Church Annual Meeting.

The annual business meeting and supper of the West church was held in the vestry on Wednesday evening, there being a large attendance present. A fine supper was served by the ladies of the parish and this was followed by the business meeting and election of officers. The reports of the various officers and committees showed that the church was in good condition.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Clerk, Arthur T. Boutwell; treasurer, F. S. Boutwell; ushers, George Phelps, Gayton Abbott.

For Lovers of Music.

An organ recital will be given by organist John Bachelder in Christ church next Sunday evening at 7.30. Two members of the choir will assist with vocal solos.

Prelude and Fugue in E minor, J. S. Bach
Choral: "Herzlich thut mich verlangen," No. 27, Arie: "Angels ever bright and fair" (from Theodora).
Third Sonata in C minor, Alex. Guilmant
Prelude: "Allo maestro e confuro." Adagio molto.
Fugue: "He shall feed his flock" (from Messiah).
Largo (from Xerxes).
March upon a theme of Handel, Op. 15, Alex. Guilmant.

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Obituaries.

POLLY ANN STEWART.

Mrs. Polly Ann Stewart, an aged and respected colored resident of this town, passed away at her home on Main street, on Wednesday afternoon at the age of 78 years. She was born in Virginia where she resided for many years, afterward coming to Andover with her son, John Stewart.

She was a prominent member of the Baptist church where her cheerful smile and pleasant words will be missed. She had been sick only a few days, death being caused by a sudden attack of pneumonia. She is survived by two daughters, who reside in her native home and one son, John Stewart, well known in town.

The funeral will be held from the Baptist church on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock and interment will be in Spring Grove cemetery.

ETTA ABBOTT BABCOCK.

Mrs. Etta Abbott Babcock passed away at her home in Marmaton, Kansas, on December 14, in her 57th year.

She was the daughter of the late Amos C. Abbott of Marmaton and granddaughter of the late Capt. Job Abbott of this town. She leaves a son, an aged mother, a brother and sister to whom her death comes as a severe blow, and who have the sincere sympathy of many friends in Andover.

EZEKIAL GOULD WARD.

Dr. Ezekial Gould-Ward, a former resident of New Bedford, who has been living with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Pearson, on Alldred road for the past two years passed away at her home on Wednesday at the age of 93 years and 2 months. He was for many years a resident of New Bedford, where he was one of the most prominent men, as well as a dentist of wide reputation.

Prayers for the deceased were said at the home of Mrs. Pearson at seven o'clock on Thursday and the body was then taken to New Bedford for interment.

Obsequies.

HERBERT H. HILL.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Herbert H. Hill, who died at his family home at 5 Washington avenue last Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 26, were held last Friday afternoon. At 1 o'clock prayer was said by Rev. A. T. Belknap of Providence, R. I., at the family home and at 2 o'clock services were held in the Baptist church. In a few words Rev. A. T. Belknap spoke of the sterling character of the deceased; of his faithful devotion to those whom he loved, and to his business. The casket was surrounded by many beautiful floral tributes, among which was a large piece from his fellow laborers in the Washington mills.

The pall bearers were Colver J. Stone, Warren L. Johnson, Dr. J. A. Leitch and Percy Gilbert.

Interment took place in the South church cemetery.

THE WARY BLACK DUCK.

From the Cincinnati Monthly Record. The black duck is infinitely wary and intelligent; he is a valuable prize; the hunt is thrilling and adds to your fund of wholesome memories. To outwit its vigilance and win the privileges of handling his firm set, wild-scented plumage requires a thorough experience of his habits, an eager love of hunting, and the practice of the Christian qualities of patience, watchfulness, long suffering and endurance. Withal, a quick eye is needed and such shooting judgment as enables one partly by sight, partly by sound, to hit a whizzing streak of feathers travelling through the darkness at 4 miles an hour.

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Deaths.

In Marmaton, Kansas, Mrs. Etta Abbott Babcock, aged 57 years.

In Andover, Wednesday, January 3, Dr. Ezekial Ward, formerly of New Bedford, aged 93 years, 2 months. Interment Thursday in New Bedford.

In Waltham, Thursday, Dec. 26, 1905, Miss Endora S. Whiting, formerly of Andover.

In Andover, Thursday, January 4, Mrs. Polly Ann Stewart, aged 78 years. Funeral tomorrow at two o'clock and interment in Spring Grove cemetery.

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COMMERCIAL

New York's Traction Merger.
The rumor current just prior to the holidays that August Belmont, at the head of the Interborough Rapid Transit company of New York city, had purchased control of the Metropolitan surface lines from Thomas F. Ryan has been officially confirmed. Both Ryan and Belmont have conferred with Morgan over the details of the transfer, which involves the organization of a new holding company. The total stocks and bonds of all the Metropolitan lines is estimated at \$191,000,000, and the surface lines figure up a total of about 492 miles. This merger is understood to be favorable to the Pennsylvania railroad, and there will not be competition for the new subways authorized.



August Belmont.
The new holding company is to have a capitalization of over \$200,000,000 in order to acquire the stocks of the Interborough and the Metropolitan lines. It will be divided into trust bonds, common and preferred stocks. A syndicate is to be formed which will underwrite the entire issue. The announcement made by Messrs. Ryan and Belmont expresses the belief that the plan will benefit the stockholders and will be advantageous to the city and the public.

Record Year in Commerce.
Preliminary figures of the import and export trade of the United States for the last calendar year indicate a larger total than any year on record. The exports are certain to exceed \$1,600,000,000 and the imports to exceed \$1,200,000,000.

\$40,000 For a New Carnation.
All records for high priced carnations were broken at Cincinnati, O., when Richard Witterstaetter sold his carnation seedling, the "Aristocrat," for \$40,000. The purchaser is the Chicago Carnation association of Joliet, Ill., which takes the entire set of plants, 45,000 in all. The "Aristocrat" is a cross between the "Tom Lawson" and the "Inquirer." It is a deep pink in color.

City Treasurer Crocker of Boston has carried out his plan of offering municipal bonds for sale directly to the people. The total issue was \$2,410,000 of 3½ per cents running from twenty to thirty years. Citizens came in promptly and bought lots varying from \$1,000 to \$250,000 until all were sold.

Lobbyist Hamilton's Statement.
A long written statement to the Armstrong insurance committee by "Judge" Andy Hamilton respecting the large sums of money which he has handled at Albany for the New York Life and other big insurance companies was brought last week from Mr. Hamilton's retiring place in Europe by John C. McCall, son of President McCall of the New York Life. It consists largely of a review of the reasons why such large expenditures had been necessary. He admits that it has been necessary to make payments to others than lawyers, but he does not give their names, and this is taken to be the virtual admission that the money has been given to lawmakers or their agents. Mr. Hamilton sent word that he was in such poor health that he could not possibly come home at this time to give oral testimony. He admitted there was an open account between him and the New York Life and he offered to deposit \$100,000 pending settlement.

Superintendent Hendricks of the New York state insurance department admitted that he had followed the usual practice of the department by merely looking to see if the books and statements of the insurance companies tallied. He did not try to inquire into the matter of extravagance or economic management, but merely as to the matter of solvency.

Louis F. Payn, the former superintendent of life insurance of New York, told the committee that he knew nothing of insurance or of the duties of his office, having left all examinations to the chief examiner. When asked by Mr. Hughes why the Mutual had requested an examination Mr. Payn said: "Well, all these great corporations are afraid not only of strike legislation, but they are afraid of some of these insurance departments—afraid that they will come here to strike them. Then there are also agents and actuaries who strike them, and the insurance companies are cowards."

Porto Rican Freight War.
The Peck Steamship company is competing with the New York and Porto Rico company for trade with Porto Rico and already the freight rates have been cut 25 per cent. The island has had an extra good sugar crop, amounting to 200,000 tons.

\$150,000,000 For American Telephone.
The issuance of convertible bonds to the amount of \$150,000,000 was authorized by the stockholders of the American Telephone and Telegraph company. Call Money at 90 Per Cent.

In anticipation of the payment of dividends by the great industrial combinations on Jan. 1 aggregating \$150,000,000 the banks had been hoarding their reserves to such an extent that the interest rate on call money rose to 90 per cent, after which it fell again to 25 per cent. Secretary Shaw refused to give any government aid in relieving the stringency.

Three Memphis Banks Fail.
The Merchants' Trust company, the American Savings bank and the Mechanics' Savings bank, three allied institutions of Memphis, Tenn., have been closed following application for a

receiver for the trust company. The latter claimed ample assets to cover all liabilities, and the officers said depositors would not lose.

Biggest Farmers' Combination.
F. E. Andrews, attorney for the National Farmers' exchange, announces that the amalgamation of the National Farmers' exchange and the American Farmers' union is about perfected. The new organization will be the greatest society of farmers in the United States. The National Farmers' exchange, capitalized for \$100,000,000, operates several hundred elevators in Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota and the Dakotas. The American Farmers' union has an extensive membership in Texas, New Mexico, Nevada, Indian Territory and Oklahoma. A new name is to be chosen for the combined associations.

INDUSTRIAL

Another Big Copper Strike.
The recent reports of a rich find of copper in the Anaconda mine at Butte, Mont., appear not to have been exaggerated. The vein is found to be from forty-five to fifty feet in width and assays run above 40 per cent of copper with an average of 15 per cent. The strike was made on the main ledge of the Anaconda about 1,000 feet south of the shaft on the 2,200 foot level. This is thought to demonstrate that the copper veins of Butte are permanent in character and will be producing ore for centuries to come.

Gasoline For Suburban Trolleys.
The Lake Shore Railroad company has begun experiment with a gasoline motor car with a view to competing with the electric trolleys between Cleveland and nearby cities. Much faster time can be made by the gasoline cars on the Lake Shore than is made on the electric lines. If the plan works there, it will be tried in several other large cities.

Final Crop Totals.
The final returns to the department of agriculture show the following totals of the principal crops for the season of 1905:
Corn, 2,707,993,540 bushels; winter wheat, 428,462,834 bushels; spring wheat, 264,516,655 bushels; oats, 953,216,197 bushels; barley, 136,651,020 bushels; rye, 27,616,045 bushels; buckwheat, 14,585,082 bushels; flaxseed, 28,477,753 bushels; rice, 12,933,436 bushels; potatoes, 290,741,194 bushels; hay, 60,531,611 tons; tobacco, 636,033,719 pounds.

Gasoline Test on the Alton.
The Chicago and Alton railroad has just completed tests with gasoline cars designed to compete with trolley cars between Chicago and St. Louis. After trying light trains hauled by small steam engines the Alton people reached the conclusion that a single car using gasoline as motive power was best adapted for short trips at high speed with frequent stops in a district where passenger traffic is unusually heavy. During test runs the car, loaded to its capacity, attained a rate of forty miles an hour. It takes much less time in reaching full speed from a dead stop than the light trains drawn by steam engines. As a result of experiments the Alton will purchase enough gasoline motor cars to take the place of steam trains which have been used in the company's interurban service.

Gates to Rival Steel Trust.
The Republic Iron and Steel company of Pittsburg, the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, the Sloss-Sheffield Iron company and the La Belle Iron works have been merged into one corporation. A new name has not been adopted, but it is probable that the Republic Iron and Steel company's charter will cover the new corporation. The total capitalization will be \$150,000,000.

John W. Gates and C. S. Guthrie promoted the combine. It is the intention of the new combine to enter into competition with the United States Steel corporation on a large scale in the manufacture of rails. The new combine has no plate mills, but has a small structural steel plant. It is also proposed to increase the capacity of the steel mill so as to make billets and bars on a larger scale. It is the intention to erect a large cast iron pipe plant in the south.

RELIGIOUS

Mikado Indorses Shintoism.
The real meaning of the recent visits made by Admiral Togo and the emperor of Japan to worship at the temple of Ise, as now interpreted in the Tokyo correspondence of the London Times, is that the governing classes of Japan have again given their official indorsement to the ancient Shinto belief, or ancestor worship. The emperor went to report the termination of the war with Russia to his first imperial ancestor. The temple at Ise is to the Japanese much what Mecca is to the Mohammedans.

Christmas Gifts Forbidden.
One of the most sweeping edicts ever issued by Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, head of the Church of Christ, Scientist, in which she practically forbade Christian Scientists all over the world from setting apart Christmas day as one upon which to give or receive gifts, has caused a mild furor among her followers, who number more than 1,000,000.

In every one of the 900 churches established in various parts of the world a new section to one of the church by-laws was read to the congregations on Dec. 24, in which it was explicitly set forth that no word of thanks or greeting be sent to the "pastor emeritus," as Mrs. Eddy has styled herself.

In a message also she criticised the exchange of presents on Christmas day as wholly wrong and not in accordance with the church teachings.

"Elijah" Dowie Broken Down.
John Alexander Dowie, self appointed successor to the Prophet Elijah and organizer of the Christian Catholic church and founder of the City of Zion for his flock near Chicago, has gone to Jamaica a physical and mental wreck of his former self and expecting not to return alive.

LABOR

Big New Year's Wage Increase.
The promise of a general advance in wages to the employees of the Carnegie steel concerns and the Pennsylvania railroad with the advent of the new year made the holiday season one of extra rejoicing for not less than 300,000 toilers. This increase is intended to be labor's share in the prosperity of the past year. It ranges from 7 to 10 per cent.

Notice was also posted of a 10 per cent increase in the wages of 2,600 Connecticut woolen mill operatives.

Independent Printshops Yield.
Before the strike of the job printers had gone into effect Jan. 1 at least two prominent independent firms in New York had given notice that they would not fight the eight hour demand. They were J. J. Little & Co. and Collier's.

SCIENTIFIC

Amundsen to Circle Pole.
Captain Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian navigator who on Sept. 3 completed his voyage through the long sought north-west passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific, has announced his intention of continuing westward so as to completely circumnavigate the globe north of the Arctic circle.

Some details of his thirty-months' voyage from Christiania, Norway, have already been forwarded by wire. His vessel, the Gjoa, is a forty ton sloop with a crew of eight men. For a period of nearly two years they did not see a white man until they reached Herschel island, where several American whalers were icebound. From this point, with one of the whaler's captains, Amundsen went by sledge over the divide to Eagle City, where they arrived Dec. 5.

Two Tailed Comet Observed.
Professor Percival Lowell sent word from Flagstaff, Ariz., that a second comet had been found on the photograph plates made Nov. 29 and that it had two tails, one extending north and the other northwest.

Martians Ahead of Us.
Camille Flammarion, the French astronomer, says that the inhabitants of Mars are much more highly developed than those of this earth. According to his view, the Martians are a much older race than the inhabitants of the earth, representing what the latter will be several billion years hence. Belief in their great intellectual superiority strengthens yearly with constantly increasing preciseness on astronomical observations.

Light on Lake Outlet.
A. T. Angell, a British explorer in East Africa, while engaged in the survey of Lake Nalvasha has found the hitherto unknown outlet of this fresh water body emptying into a subterranean river. The lake is 100 miles east of Lake Victoria Nyanza and at an altitude of 6,000 feet. This confirms the theory utilized by Rider Haggard as an incident in his story of "Allan Quatermain."

MISCELLANEOUS

The President's Holidays.
Most of the week between Christmas and New Year's President Roosevelt and family spent at Mrs. Roosevelt's Virginia country home, Pine Knob.

Against Public Gift to Alice.
The plan originating in Baker City, Ore., to raise a fund of \$800,000 or more by popular subscription for the purchase of a wedding gift for Miss Alice Roosevelt does not meet with the president's favor.

Would License Corporations.
Secretary Metcalf of the department of commerce and labor in his annual report recommends that congress adopt the plan of a federal license of corporations, engaged in interstate commerce. He finds that the great corporations operating over a large part if not the whole of the country are supervised only nominally by the states from which their charters spring.

It to Rule Korea.
Marquis Ito was duly installed as resident general at Seoul, Korea. He is to be succeeded by Yamagata as president of the privy council.

Deaths.
Henry Harland, the American novelist who wrote "The Cardinal's Snuff-box," died of consumption at San Remo, Italy.

Richard Hodgson, one of the foremost authorities on psychical research, died at Boston.

ON BEACON HILL

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—The first day's session of the great and general court for 1906 gave every indication that at the outset at least there is pretty nearly complete harmony in both branches. The main business of the day, following the administration of the oaths of office by Gov. Douglas, was the organization of each branch by the election of officers.

The senate, according to program elected Hon. William F. Dana of Newton president, Henry D. Coolidge of Concord clerk, Rev. Edward A. Horton of Boston chaplain, and Capt. David T. Remington sergeant-at-arms.

The lower branch, the Republicans having met in caucus earlier in the day and named the anticipated "slate" by acclamation, elected Hon. John N. Cole of Andover speaker, and re-elected James W. Kimball of Lynn clerk, Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, D.D. of Boston, chaplain, and, concurring with the senate, Capt. David T. Remington sergeant-at-arms.

Representative Cole received 225 votes, and Martin M. Lomasney, one of the representatives from ward 8, Boston, received three votes. Capt. Remington received a unanimous election by both branches, a compliment that has not been bestowed on the holder of that office in many years.

In the corridors, preceding the meeting of the house and senate, called for 11 o'clock yesterday, there was the usual animation incident to a gathering of the members of the great and general court. Old acquaintances and friendships were renewed and the new members found themselves, as interested spectators, quickly getting into an atmosphere always peculiar to the first legislative day of the year on Beacon Hill.

Clerk Kimball's gavel dropped in the house at 11 o'clock, and he introduced James Sidney Allen of Brockton, the senior member, as the presiding officer until the election of a speaker. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. C. Litchfield of Winthrop.

Then came the appointment of the various perambulating committees, a committee to inform the secretary of state that the legislature was in session, and one to inform the governor that the members-elect were ready to take oaths of office.

The floral display in the house was very large for the opening day. Representative Diggins of Somerville was remembered with a large basket of roses, wreath of pinks and bouquet; Representative Moore of Boston, large basket marked "From Friends of Ward 10"; Representative Conway, ward 8, Boston, horseshoe; Representative Edward Fitzgerald of Boston, basket of pinks; Representative Kiely of Lynn, horseshoe with ribbon, "Best Wishes of Colonial Club of Lynn"; Representative Daly of Boston, wreath and bouquet; Representative Barrett of Cambridge, bouquet of pinks.

It was 11.30 when the sergeant-at-arms announced at the door of the center entrance to the chamber, "His excellency the governor, his honor the lieutenant-governor and members of the executive council."

The house stood and applauded as for the last time Gov. Douglas walked down the main aisle, at his side Lieut. Gov. Guild, who today will himself take the oath to preserve the constitution as governor and commander-in-chief of the commonwealth. Gov. Douglas took the speaker's chair with the lieutenant governor on his right and Representative Allen of Brockton on his left.

The governor rose, and the house, in response to the drop of the gavel, followed suit. The governor adjusted his gold-rimmed spectacles and proceeded to read the from of obligation required by the constitution, the members repeating phrase by phrase, the words as they dropped from the lips of the chief executive.

The blanks for the signatures of the members were distributed, and after these had been returned, the governor asked if any member wished to make affirmations. No one was responsive. The governor then announced that the house qualified. As the official party retired, the members stood and applauded the retiring governor until the doors swung behind him.

The absentees were J. E. Barry, of Cambridge; W. E. Gammell of West Boylston; J. H. Hibbard of Lowell and W. L. V. Newton of Boston.

The house then proceeded to the election of officers as already stated. Speaker Cole accepting in the following speech:

"I know it is a favorite theme of speakers to talk of short sessions. I wish it might be possible that we could shorten the session of last year and do the good work as it was done last year. If it is possible let us do it, but let us not sacrifice on the altar of a short session any work that we ought to do here for the commonwealth of Massachusetts."

"I know it is in the hearts of many of you who have served the past two years to recall the splendid service of the man whom I am succeeding, and I cannot refrain from recalling the gentleman who preceded me here, and from expressing my cordial appreciation of the good work he did in this chair and of the pleasures I have had, and I know many of you have had, in associating with him."

"I think if there is an evil in the legislature of Massachusetts, it is the probably is in that of every state, it is the evil that comes from individuals coming down here from particular constituencies as the sole sponsor and for the sole object of pushing forward some particular pet project."

"Now, there is a large work for this legislature to do, there is a larger work for every individual member of it to do, than to serve any particular constituency, if in that service the entire good, or the good of the entire commonwealth, is to suffer."

"And so, if I would admonish you after my three years' experience, I would urge you to forget any particular pet work and to look upon every question as it bears on the work and the progress of this commonwealth."

In the meantime the senate had organized and committees from either branch walked the corridors between the two chambers announcing in each house the progress of events.

In accepting a resolution as president of the upper branch, Senator Dana said:

"In assuming for the second time the duties of this high office, I have to thank the senate sincerely for this renewed expression of its confidence."

"I realize fully the great dignity of the position, the many responsibilities attaching to it and the numerous difficulties surrounding it."

"I know that I shall not be able to meet your ideal, or even my own; yet I can honestly say that I shall endeavor always to administer the duties of the office impartially, and to treat every member of the senate fairly, without regard to party affiliation."

"We are all here with a common purpose to serve the commonwealth to the best of our ability, and while undoubtedly we shall at times differ in our views of public matters, we shall not for that reason lose our mutual respect for one another, or look upon one another as other than friends enlisted in a common cause."

"I believe that, when this session shall close, the commonwealth will have no ground for regret at the result of our deliberations here, and I look forward with confidence to cordial associations with one and all of you. Let us begin our session here today in this spirit of devotion, and set promptly and resolutely at work upon the task lying before us. I wish you all from my heart goodspeed."

The officers of the branches appointed their committees on rules. Pres. Dana in the senate appointed the following rules committee: Senators Garfield of Plymouth, Taft of Worcester, Garrett of Hampshire and Garthand of Suffolk. Garthand is the Democrat on the committee.

In the lower branch Speaker Cole appointed the following rules committee: Orange, Seward of Brookline, Ames of Newton, Tuttle of Pittsfield, Wheeler of Concord, Peabody of Cambridge, Quinn of Boston and Dean of Westfield. Quinn and Dean are the Democratic members.

The speaker's appointments created favorable comment, for he placed on the rules committee Mr. Walker, who was his opponent in the contest for speakership of the house, and three of the latter's warmest supporters, Messrs. Peabody, Lowell and Wheeler.

CHASE CASE TO GO TO THE GRAND JURY.

LYNN, Jan. 4.—That the investigation into the death of Mrs. Jennie Phillips Chase at Swampscott Sept. 13, 1905, will be transferred to the grand jury, was stated last night on authority that is unquestionable.

Whether or not the case will be presented to the grand jury at the coming term at Salem next or go over to the April term of that body is not stated definitely.

It can be stated on the same unquestionable authority that while Prof. Whitney testified at the inquest yesterday that he found traces of enough poison in Mrs. Chase's stomach to cause death, the authorities are confronted by the questions of how and when the poison reached her.

One question is: Did Mrs. Chase herself secure the poison and take it as a means to self-destruction? If she did not obtain it herself, who did?

It can be also stated that Prof. Whitney's report showed that such a large quantity of poison was used, that unmistakable evidence of its effects were found in the throat and stomach.

The above questions assume that Mrs. Chase committed suicide. If she did not, then what the investigators are seeking to find out is who procured the poison and how and by whom was it administered to her?

Not the slightest trace of arsenic was found in or about the Chase home. Now that it has been established by Prof. Whitney's report that arsenic was used the investigators will bend all their energies to tracing the circumstances by which it came to the dead woman.

Prof. Whitney of Harvard university and Loon Key, Mrs. Chase's Chinese servant, were the only witnesses heard by Judge Berry at the inquest yesterday.

Dr. Whitney went on the stand, and for a half hour told what had been the result of his examination and analysis. He said he had discovered traces of arsenic, and he learned, in sufficient quantities to kill.

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Conductor—Can't take this nickel. It's plugged.
Passenger—You'll have to take it. You gave it to me yourself in change when I came down this morning.
Conductor—Well, the company's more particular than you are. Fare, please.—Cleveland Leader.

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FREDERIC S. BOUTWELL,

Clerk

January 1, 1906.

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

At the annual meeting of the members of the Andover Savings Bank held on Monday, January first, 1906, the following named persons were elected Trustees and have taken the oath of office.

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John N. Cole	Joseph A. Smart
John H. Flint	John L. Smith
Lewis T. Hardy	Peter D. Smith
Felix G. Haynes	Sam D. Stevens
Horace H. Tyer	

At the same meeting were elected and have been duly sworn,

John H. Flint, President
John F. Kimball, Vice-President
Frederic S. Boutwell, Clerk

At a meeting of the Trustees, subsequent to the above, the following persons were elected Investing committee for the ensuing year.

John H. Flint
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PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth A. Woods, late of Norwich, in the County of New London, and State of Connecticut, deceased, or in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the Treasurer and Receiver General of said Commonwealth.

WHEREAS, Harriette P. Wilcox, one of the executors appointed under the will of said deceased, by the Probate Court for the District of Norwich, County of New London, in the State of Connecticut, has presented to said Court her petition representing that, as such executor, she is entitled to certain personal property situated in said Commonwealth, to wit: The following deposits: Andover Savings Bank, Book No. 324, \$103.94; Essex Savings Bank, Book No. 107, \$104.00; Lawrence Savings Bank, Book No. 104, \$104.75; Lawrence Savings Bank, Book No. 105, \$104.75; Providence Institution, Book No. 107, \$104.75; and praying that she may be licensed to receive or to sell by public or private sale on such terms and to such person or persons as she shall think fit—or otherwise to divide, or to transfer and convey such shares and estate. (The other executor named in said will having deceased.)

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lawrence, in said County of Essex, on the eighth day of January, A. D. 1906, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be on day, at least, before said Court, and by serving a copy of said citation on the Treasurer and Receiver General of said Commonwealth, fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and five.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

LAWRENCE

NEW SCHOOL LAW WILL TAKE MANY FROM THE MILLS.

To enforce strictly the new school law affecting children employed in mills, factories and stores, which goes into effect today, is the purpose of the state board of education. It is estimated that thousands of children thus employed may be forced to leave their employment to acquire the rudiments at least, of an education in English.

The important sections of the law as passed by the legislature of 1905 are as follows:

"No child under the age of 14 years and no child who is over 14 and under 16 years of age who does not have a certificate as required by the following sections, certifying to the child's ability to read at sight and to write legibly simple sentences in the English language, shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment."

"Every child between 7 and 14 years of age and every child under 16 years of age who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language shall attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session, subject to such exceptions as to children, places of attendance and schools as are otherwise provided for."

Sec. Martin of the state board of education states that the intent of the law is to make children of foreign-born residents acquire at least the rudiments of an English education before being forced to go to work. The state board does not consider a mere parrot-like ability to read allotted words in English is compliance with the intent of the law and will insist on the child being able to read intelligently and without coaching any simple sentence in English.

Several large manufacturing concerns have made preparations to meet the new law, and one, the Ludlow manufacturing company of Ludlow, in Hampden county about three months ago established an evening school for the 150 children employed in its mills. Most of the children are Poles, and though the school was open three evenings every week, W. E. Gushue, district superintendent of schools for Agawam and Ludlow, has, after an examination, refused certificates to 28 out of 31 children.

Mr. Gushue has stated that while the children could read to some extent, they did not do so intelligently, but repeated the words parrot fashion. The parents of the majority of the children are apparently anxious only to have their children educated enough to go to work and some threaten to carry the matter into the courts on the ground that ability to read English is all that is required, whether the reading is done intelligently or not. Supt. Gushue believes, as does the state board of education, that the child must be able to understand what he or she is reading.

The new school in this city will open tomorrow.

CAPT. O'BRIEN SECURES MCCARTHY FOR DARTMOUTH.

Michael S. O'Brien of South Lawrence, the prominent Dartmouth collegian, elected captain of next season's baseball team, was in Boston Tuesday and secured the services of "Tom" McCarthy, the old Boston left fielder, to coach the Dartmouth nine the coming season.

McCarthy was coach for Holy Cross last year. Capt. O'Brien shows good judgment in his selection as McCarthy was a star in his old days.

This is the most important move Dartmouth has yet made in baseball, and it is certain to bring the game at that college, for McCarthy has a shade on all the men now acting as baseball coaches. He did splendid work at Holy Cross, and will do still better work at Dartmouth, for he will give more time and thought to the game. McCarthy is a fine judge of a player. He knows the game from top to bottom; and what is better still, he can impart his knowledge to others. The young players of Dartmouth will have a chance to develop their talents under the direction of a master.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH TO BE OPENED SUNDAY.

St. Anne's new church will be formally opened next Sunday. Solemn high mass will be celebrated at 10.30 by Rev. Fr. J. M. Portal, provincial general of the Marist order of America and former pastor of the church. He will also deliver the sermon.

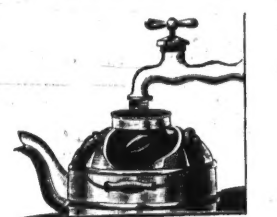
The full choir under the direction of Organist Joseph Bernard will render an excellent musical program.

The church is finished and the French people look forward with pleasure to the opening of this grand building. It is one of which they might well be proud.

Johnny—Mama, can I throw this comb away.
Mother—But why, child? That comb has lost but one tooth.
Johnny—That's the very reason Mother. I know the more teeth it loses the harder it will be to part with it.—Judge.

SAVE BEING SCALDED

By steam and trouble with knobs pulling off cover by using the



Automatic Tea Kettle Cover

Opens when you pour water in and closes instantly. Made of Aluminum. Does not melt or rust. Will last a lifetime. The weighted end goes in on side of kettle opposite the nose.

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TO PUT BRIDGES IN CHARGE OF THE STATE.

One of the new measures that may be introduced into the legislature is a bill general in character to put all bridges approached by a section of state highway in charge of the state, rather than in charge of the county commissioners in whatever county the structure may be located.

While the term "in charge of the state" is somewhat different, it undoubtedly means that the bridges will be under the direct supervision of the state board of highway commissioners, who now have the supervision of all sections of state highway within the commonwealth. While at first it would seem to imply no great change, there is probably at the present time not a great many bridges the approaches which are by state highways, the scheme in the future would work out to a result that there would be a good share of bridges in different counties in charge of the highway commissioners.

The plans of this commission to eventually have lines of highway radiating out of Boston to all portions of the Commonwealth must necessarily mean that innumerable streams must have innumerable bridges across them. At the board is to have charge of all these, it will more than double its present field of operation, and require the employment of a large additional force in its office.

There is an intimation that the highway commission does not favor this proposed legislation. It is credited with a fear that in many communities petitions will be made for the laying out of highways that will include some bridge structure. The local authorities who have heretofore held off from advocating a new bridge would now use the proposed new laws, feeling free to bring a scheme of this kind before the board. It does not seem that the commission has any great length to cost at least \$100,000, while the same money would build some twenty miles of state highway.

Some of the members of the new legislature who had this proposal explained to them held an opinion similar to that of the highway commission. They look upon it as a sure way to offer to the people many years hence, but of too Utopian a character to be sprung in this day and generation.

PROBATE COURT SESSION HELD AT SALEM.

Judge Harmon held probate court in Salem Monday. The business transacted follows:

Wills proved—Sarah M. Clark of Andover; George Guidig of Rockport; Samuel S. Eaton of Haverhill; William Hollingshead of Hamilton; Alice B. Huntington of Lynn; Reuben Jackson of Ipswich; Warren P. Johnson of Salem; John Kneeland of North Andover; Thomas May of Lawrence; Frederick Page of Swampscott; Thomas H. Sawyer of Peabody; Frederick F. Thompson of New York; Geo. H. Tilton of Wenham.

Administrations on estates of—Amos H. Bassett of Haverhill; Abby F. C. Pratt and Bridget Coffey of Andover; Catherine Cahill of Newburyport; Hugh Chambers of Gloucester; Olive J. Chapin of Salisbury; Merritt Cook of Peabody; George J. Curtin of Lynn; William A. Estes of Lynn; Irad P. Goodale of Danvers; Charles H. Hardy of Andover; Mary E. Lodge of Swampscott; John D. Lundy of Newburyport; Charles C. Melkie of Lynn; Albert Moulton of Buxford; Anna O'Neill of Salem; Dianna P. Short of West Newbury; Catherine S. Slattery of Salem; Howard E. Smith of Lynn; Jacob H. Smith of Newbury; William F. Walsen of Salem; Albert H. Towne of Buxford.

Inventories on estates were filed as follows: Rebecca W. Allen of Beverly, \$1,375.24; Mary O. Curwen, Salem, \$3,083.18; Thomas H. Drew of North Andover, \$732.58; Clementine S. Flichtner of Ipswich, \$8200; Sarah M. L. Handy of Haverhill, \$5672.64; Mary Holroyd of Andover, \$2915.00; Elmina B. Humphrey of Lawrence, \$49,512.75; Thomas McNiff of North Andover, \$3362.83; Myra B. Messer of Peabody, \$8703.65; Julia O'Keefe of Haverhill, \$4900; Elizabeth M. Sexton of Newburyport, \$1524; Ous F. Brown of Hamilton, \$9737.78; William Cannovan of Salem, \$15,375.23; Robert Carruthers of Lawrence, \$49,436.16; Henry O. Dearborn of Amesbury, \$5996.30; Sarah D. Clark of Georgetown, \$3081.27; Moses Harris of Ipswich, \$1243; Dennis Horgan of Lynn, \$320.00; Mary A. Keating of Lynn, \$329.00; Elizabeth Kimball of Peabody, \$104,355.60; Margaret Leavock of Lawrence, \$1000; Samuel P. Simpson of Lawrence, \$2952.39; John Simons of Gloucester, \$1270.80; Agnes W. Welch of Lynn, \$15,009.07; John Wilkins of Gloucester, \$854.93.

WON THE CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND PRIZE CONTEST.

Miss Anna Rushforth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Rushforth of 30 Crescent street, won first prize over 7000 other contestants in the Henry Seigel "Wonderland" contest. The prize is a Shetland pony, harness and sleigh. Miss Rushforth is unusually original and clever in sketching in water colors and has exceptional powers of description. This was made manifest in her letters and sketches sent to her friends and teachers here while travelling with the family in England last year. The verses of the acoustic picture of Santa Claus in water colors, and a mounted picture of herself were all surrounded by a painted ribbon border in bow-knot pattern. The envelope bearing a gay Santa Claus and the address, stamp and postmark so cleverly done that it looked as though it might be the work of Uncle Sam's hands. After visiting "Wonderland" before Christmas, Miss Rushforth spent all the time she could spare from her studies at the L. H. S. and the making of many Christmas gifts, on the verses describing "Wonderland." She never anticipated winning the first prize and was delightedly surprised when the following special delivery letter was received by her Sunday morning:

Miss Anna Rushforth, Lawrence, Mass.
Dear Miss Rushforth—We congratulate you. You have won the beautiful Shetland pony, harness and sleigh, the first prize, in the Christmas "Wonderland" prize letter contest. Announcement of the fact will be made in all the Boston Sunday papers. The prize will be formally presented later in the week. Wishing you a Happy New Year.
Very sincerely yours,
HENRY SEIGEL.

IS ONE OF THREE VERY OLD SISTERS.

The latest result of the investigation recently conducted for the purpose of determining the oldest trio of sisters in the United States, brings into prominence the names of three sisters, all of whom reside in eastern Massachusetts, their combined ages aggregating 266 years. They are Mrs. Melindy W. Niles, of 61 Clarendon avenue of Lynn, 87 years of age, Mrs. Abigail Littlefield of Lawrence, 91 years of age, and Mrs. Mary Jane Huntington, of Roxbury, 88 years of age.

During this investigation two different trios of sisters have been mentioned as enjoying this distinction. The first of which was Mrs. M. H. Goodrich, of Hot Springs, S. D., Mrs. S. A. Tenwick, of Rodman, Ia., and Mrs. Jane Thompson, of Des Moines, (Wm.) the sum of their ages amounting to 253 years. A second trio were later discovered, comprised of Essex county residents, namely, Mrs. Mary G. Cook of Lynn, Mrs. Sarah A. Spaulding of Peabody, and Mrs. N. M. Hooper of Andover, the ages being 254 years. Still further investigation, however, has brought to light the existence of the first mentioned trio of sisters, whose age total far exceeds that of all others thus far revealed.

That three sisters should grow up and live to such ripe old ages is a circumstance remarkable in itself, and it is the moment of considerable pride that this state can lay claim to the distinction of harboring these long lived survivors of such a hardy and well preserved race. Not only is it possible, so far as can be learned, to make out the oldest trio in the country, but, by adding a fourth, Mrs. Jeanette Loveland, of Boston, 81 years of age, to form a quartette whose combined ages aggregate 347 years. While no authentic comparison can be made at present, concerning the latter figure, it is very doubtful if investigation would produce a total exceeding it.

In the little town of Norway, Me., all of these sisters were born. Their father, Stephen Latham, a blacksmith by trade, and their mother, whose maiden name was Abigail Whitman, had a large family of 10 children, seven girls and three boys, the four sisters previously mentioned being the sole survivors. Of the entire ten, only two died young, Charles dying at the age of three years, and Olive Latham at the age of 23.

Sumner, the second son, who was for many years in the grocery business in Boston, died several years ago, at the age of 75. Harrison, the third, died two years ago, in his 93d year. He was a resident of Dorchester, where his life was spent as a stone mason. The second sister to die was Mrs. Maria Needham, who was 89 years of age at the time of her death, and the third, Mrs. Lucy Edmunds, passed away at the age of 82. A son of the former, Sumner Henry Needham, was the first to fall during the Baltimore riot, at the opening of the Civil War. He was a member of the Sixth Maine Light Infantry. Mrs. Needham gave birth to nine children. This brings us to the review of the four surviving sisters.

Mrs. Abigail Littlefield was born on Jan. 27, 1814. At an early age she left Norway, Me., her home and birthplace, and came to Lawrence, where she was married and became the mother of seven children. Here she has spent the greater part of her life, having lost her husband, some years ago. She is, however, in very poor health, being in but slight possession of her faculties.

Mrs. Jane Huntington, the second of the trio, was born on July 24, 1817. She too, took leave of her birthplace when quite young, going to Roxbury, where she resided with her husband who died last July, at the age of 88. She is now in good health, most of her faculties being unimpaired.

Mrs. Melindy W. Niles, the third of the three, who resides at 61 Clarendon avenue, in Lynn, was born on July 12, 1818. She and her husband, Hiram H. Niles, have lived in Lynn for the past 34 years. Mrs. Niles when interviewed by an item reporter, on Thursday, spoke very interestingly of the lives of her sisters, and of the many changes which have taken place in the past half century. She evidenced much surprise when told of the unique distinction which she and her sisters bear, as the oldest trio here, as being so patient and contented as being in which their long and happy lives have thus far abounded. She is of a pleasant address, and enjoys fairly good health, possessing her faculties almost to their full extent. Mrs. Niles has two sons, both of Lynn, Henry L. Niles, residing at 56 Sagamore street, and Frank O., a shoe cutter, residing at 27 Allen avenue.

The fourth and youngest sister, Mrs. Jeanette Loveland, who forms the quartette with a combined age of 347 years, was born on July 23, 1824. She has lived in Boston for many years. She is enjoying excellent health, having visited Mrs. Niles only a few days ago. Summarily, it may be said that this investigation has put on record a most remarkable example of human fortitude and preservation, and it needs to say that the many friends of these ladies hope for a much larger record, and extend to them their best wishes for a happy new year.

CITY GOVERNMENT OF 1906 INAUGURATED MONDAY.

The city government of 1906 was inaugurated with suitable ceremonies Monday and as expected Mayor John P. Kane made a change in the police department officials, appointing John E. Sheehan to succeed Marshal O'Sullivan. Samuel C. Logan was appointed marshal, and Capt. John J. Sullivan was retained as captain of the night watch. All the police appointments were confirmed.

The Democratic slate went through without a hitch in joint convention. Michael Welch, Jr., was elected president of the common council, and Alderman Benjamin L. Weeks, president of the board of aldermen.

THE NEW CITY OFFICIALS.

City Solicitor—Daniel J. Murphy.
City Treasurer—Barry T. O'Connell.
Assessor—John J. Hart.
City Messenger—William T. Merrow.
President of the Board of Aldermen—Benjamin L. Weeks.
President of Common Council—Michael Welch.
Clerk, Common Council—Richard J. Shea.
Overseers of the Poor—James J. Ahern and John J. O'Brien.
City Marshal—John E. Sheehan.
Assistant Marshal—Samuel C. Logan.
Captain of Night Watch—John J. Sullivan.
City Physician—George L. Black.

Poet—This sir, is the only poem I ever wrote.
Editor—Well, cheer up. Nobody is going to take it away from you.—Stray Stories.

LEGAL OBSTACLE TO B. & M. PENSION PLAN.

The Boston and Maine railroad pension question committee, it is believed, cannot report to the men and the company before July.

The legal difficulties to be met, which will require much careful study. It is the purpose of the committee to meet there in a manner which will leave no uncertainty in the plans. It is further meant to make the plan of the pension system so broad and so well grounded, it will not be swamped should the Boston and Maine road later become absorbed by another line.

In the old Boston and Albany road, which is now the Boston & Albany division of the New York Central lines, the old road has adopted a pension system and it promised well. But in a night the whole plan vanished from sight. That night was the time the management of the road passed to the New York Central lines.

There is too much of a chance that the New York Central will later secure control of the Boston & Maine road to take chances with the fire of possibility. It is looked to as one of the probable changes in railroad management today.

Not a single department of the service is opposed to the general proposition as already outlined. The railroad proposes to meet the men on the half-way line and whatever their assessment amounts to for a year, it resolves to set aside just that sum, making the two parts the annual pension fund. It is estimated the assessments would equal \$150,000, and if the estimates are correct, the fund would be \$300,000 annually.

This would be augmented yearly by interest and profit from judicious investment. Within but a few years there will have accumulated a sum which will guarantee forever ample means for all pension claims.

There are between 24,000 and 25,000 men on the company rolls, who are eligible to be placed on the pension list of the company. Most of them are organized already, and those who have not become members of the lodge or union of their respective departments are now applying for membership. The sentiment may be said to be universally in favor of the policy.

THE SALVATION ARMY WEDDING

Major Andrew Crawford of Portland, Maine and Captain Mabel Moore of this city were united in the bonds of matrimony Monday evening by Col. William Evans, provincial officer for New England, assisted by Staff-Capt. George Davis of Conn.

The ceremony was performed in city hall in the presence of between four and five hundred Salvation Army members and friends of the bride. The hall was hung with bunting in the national colors, flags of the army and tiny bells of white flowers. Over the stage hung an immense red bell festooned with red, white and blue.

The officers of the army and the New England staff band were seated on the stage, the red and white coats of the musicians and the uniforms of the officers blending with the color making a vivid group.

The preliminary exercises were opened by everyone rising and singing "I've found a friend." Following which everyone knelt while they sang "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Prayer and general supplication by members of the army here and a solo by Ensign Thomas Hargreaves of Boston were then listened to.

Herbert Drury, a very young captain, gave interesting testimony of army work, and was followed by Mrs. Captain Tester of Boston. Capt. Tester spoke feelingly and her sympathetic words awoke an answering chord in the hearts of all who heard her. She spoke from the standpoint of a wife and a Salvation Army worker, and closed with a prayer for the happiness of Major Crawford and his bride.

More singing by all present followed during which Major Crawford attended by his brother, Adjutant Crawford of Portland, and the bride, Capt. Mabel Moore and her sister, Miss Bertha Moore took their places on front seats of the stage.

Col. Evans read the marriage service in solemn hush, the responses being distinctly heard in every part of the hall. The ring was placed on the bride's finger and amid a shower of rice from the great bell above, they hurried off the stage. The hall resounded, meantime, with happy voices saying "Amen" and "Hallelujah."

The bride and her sister wore the regulation uniform without the belt and a broad white silk sash over the left shoulder knotted at the waist on the right side. The ceremony was preceded by a banquet for the contracting parties, Col. Evans and his staff.

Major Crawford and his bride left for Portland this morning, where they will reside.

UNFROCKING A PRESIDENT.

Pres. Loubet, among other curious offices, enjoys the distinction of being a layman. John Lateran in Rome. But no sooner shall the state separate itself from the church in France than the Lateran chapter will unfrock their recalcitrant brother, thus leaving King Alfonso of Spain the sole monarch possessing dignities and privileges in the Roman Curia.

The aforesaid canonry was originally conferred by the chapter upon Henry IV, in token of gratitude for the abbeys of Clavac, which represented an endowment of \$3000 a year.—New York World.

MANAGEMENT.

"Mrs. Hignius, how did you dispose of old Hunk at your party the other evening?"
"By a lucky chance old Mr. Grummidg was there. I happened to know they were both experts on mushrooms. I introduced them to each other and mentioned the subject. They sat in the corner and rangled the whole evening and I hadn't a bit of trouble with them."

"That girl is certainly Meek's good angel."
"How so?"
"She saved his life at the seashore this summer."
"She did?"
"Yep; and afterward she refused to marry him."—Houston Post.

HE WAS INCORRIGIBLE.

Mrs. Underdone—My husband, complaining again of your cooking, Mary.

Mary (reassuringly)—O, mum, I don't take any notice of him, for 'tis the nature of him to find fault. Ain't he forever complainin' of you, mum?—Life.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LAW ASSOCIATION.

At the annual meeting of the Lawrence Bar association in the Probate court room at the Superior Court house Wednesday afternoon, President William S. Knox presiding, it was voted, after quite a debate, that the association adopt an agreement that law offices shall be open only two evenings a week, Tuesday and Friday, and that they be closed Saturday afternoons and evenings.

On motion of John G. Walsh it was voted to hold a special meeting Jan. 17 to take action on a by-law which he proposed, making it obligatory for members of the association to live up to the rule or lose their standing.

It was voted to refer the matter of the acceptance of a portrait of Chief Justice Marshall, offered to the association by Little, Brown, & Co., of Boston, to the library committee.

The report of Treasurer John P. Kane was read and ordered to be audited by the executive committee in accordance with the by-laws.

The following officers were elected: President, the Hon. William S. Knox; vice president, William J. Bradley; treasurer, John P. Kane; clerk, J. N. Sanborn, Jr.; executive committee, W. B. Rowell, the Hon. N. P. Frye and J. J. Donovan; library committee, Judge C. A. DeCoursey, P. R. Clay and M. A. Creke.

HOW ROOSEVELT GOT HIS BIGGEST GAME.

From "Theodore Roosevelt: An Outdoor Man" by Henry Beach Needham, in the January McClure's.

It was when running that his steadiness with a gun in the face of a charging bear was proved. It was then that he got his biggest grizzly, whose skin is now prized as one of his best trophies, as well as a souvenir of a very exciting incident of his life. He was camping alone in the foothills of the Rockies and had wandered off with his rifle in search of game. Coming suddenly on a huge grizzly, he wounded it, and the bear retreated to cover in a nearby thicket. As Roosevelt was endeavoring to locate the quarry from the open, the bear suddenly appeared. He fired, but the bullet did not stop the animal. Blowing bloody foam from his mouth, the bear charged straight at Roosevelt. "I waited until he came to a fallen tree," wrote the hunter, "raking him as he topped it with a ball which entered his chest and went through the cavity of his body, but he neither swayed nor flinched, and the moment I did not know that I had struck him. He came steadily on, and in another second was almost upon me. I fired for his forehead but my bullet went low entering his open mouth, smashing his lower jaw, and going into his neck. I leaped to one side almost as I pulled the trigger, and through the hanging smoke the first thing I saw was his paw as he made a vicious side blow at me. The rush of his charge carried him past. As he struck, he lurched forward, leaving a pool of bright blood where his muzzle hit the ground; but he recovered himself, and made two or three jumps forward, while I hurriedly reloaded my couple of cartridges into the magazine—my rifle only holding four, all of which I had fired. Then he tried to pull up, but as he did so his muscles seemed suddenly to give way, his head dropped, he rolled over and over like a shot rabbit. Each of my three bullets had inflicted a mortal wound."

The president has well earned the distinction of being a successful hunter. He has killed every kind of North American big game. And yet there is far more discussion of the habits and characteristics of wild animals in his writings than there is record of the killing of game.

A BOY ON GIRLS.

A girl is a kid what will some day grow up to be a woman stead of a man if she is careful an' ain't killed by a oughtomobile or dont die death from other natchel cuses. You kin allus tell the difference between a boy an a girl becuz she puts on are an has curls an dont get holes in the nees of her stockings or kalus in her thum from shoofin marbles for keeps.

Girls is funny children. They get sore on a feller when he kisses em an they sometimes gets sore cause er dont kiss em. How kin a girl fer tell what to do? I dont know. Ive knowed a pic of girls in my time an their all jest the same cepin the color of there ware an eye an the dress whate they ware.

Girls favort fun is chevin gum an tattlin to there mothers. They also enjoys ice cream soda when they kin get it. I wouldnt be a girl fer tellin becuz they cant never be a base ball pitcher or president of these united states of amepica. Girls looks

North Andover News

William Murphy of Water street is seriously ill.

The choir of St. Paul's rehearses Friday evening.

Miss Mollie Ahearn of Lowell spent Sunday in town.

William McDonald of Winchester has been visiting in town.

The Christmas music was repeated at St. Paul's church Sunday.

Louis D. Cook has been in town looking up old acquaintances.

William Boyce has been called to New York to visit a sick friend.

The Y. M. C. A. hold their regular meeting Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Tyler have returned from a visit in Washington, D. C.

The Junior Alliance meets Friday afternoon at 3.45 o'clock in St. Paul's parish house.

Rev. S. C. Beane, Jr., will take as his sermon subject next Sunday morning at 10.30, "Common Talk."

Mason Kent and Jessie Grant resume studies at the Connon Commercial college after the recess.

The water works department was called to fix a leak in the water main on Stevens street Sunday morning.

Dr. Daly of this town has been appointed medical advisor of the Andover council of the Knights of Columbus.

At the installation of officers of the Lawrence council of Knights of Columbus many local knights were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Vatter are now residing in Dorchester. Mr. Vatter is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fields.

Mrs. Edward White and daughter Ruth P. are visiting at the home of her mother Mrs. Phillips on High street.

Miss Catherine Reagan, a teacher at Lawrence High school spent the recent holiday recess with friends in Boston.

Work has begun on the foundation for the new house which contractor P. F. Daw will build for James Manion on Osgood street.

The North Andover Musical club conducts its annual winter concert Monday evening Jan. 8th in the Congregational church.

Edward F. Butterworth, supervisor of music in the local public schools is confined to his home on Main street with an attack of lumbago.

Philip Hamilton while playing hockey on the mill pond Monday afternoon was accidentally struck by a hockey stick and cut a gash in his face.

The G. O. E. club conducts its concert and ball Jan. 26. Curran's orchestra will furnish the music. A car leaves for Lawrence after the ball.

Miss Georgia Sullivan has taken up the combined commercial and shorthand course at the Lawrence Commercial school.

The Bradstreet colony, U. O. P. F., have decided to conduct an entertainment in the Odd Fellow's hall, Friday evening, Feb. 23.

"I Just Can't Help It," is the fifth sermon in the series on the popular fallacies of the day to be delivered by the Rev. John L. Keedy Sunday night.

The polls for the telephone connections on Chestnut street are being set up. Several parties who reside on the street will now be connected with telephone.

Penelope Lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold its supper and installation of officers next Monday evening. Miss Lucy E. Odean and staff from Haverhill will install officers.

The state inspector of the removal of the mounds was in town recently.

Mrs. J. C. Rea has returned home after a few days' visit with relatives in Methuen.

Those boys who have not yet joined the North church Roger Wolcott club and desire to take the military drill should be present at Unitarian hall next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Miss Josephine Donovan has returned to her home in East Lynn after spending a few days at the residence of Selectman P. F. Daw on Second street.

The celebration of Holy Communion will take place at the regular Sunday service at St. Paul's at 11 o'clock. The regular Sunday evening service takes place at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. John A. Wiley of Main street has received two boxes of fruit from the groves of her nephew Horace Fanning who is located at Miami Fla., together with interesting photographs of the locality.

Milton Drisko, formerly a teacher at the Bradstreet school and now in charge of a large school in New Britain, Conn., returned to New Britain yesterday after a short visit with friends in town.

A change is now being made in the fire alarm system of the town. Instead of having the alarm box key deposited in a nearby house, a regular key box with a glass front is now fixed to each box. By this method an alarm can be sounded much quicker than by the other way.

Harrison Rea, while trimming trees at the John Stevens place on Main street Saturday, lost his balance and would have fallen 20 feet had he not grasped the back of his shears, which hung on a limb of the tree. Fortunately he escaped the fall, but in grasping the shears he cut a gash in his hand between the thumb and first finger. Dr. Smith dressed the wound.

HOCKEY ACCIDENT.

While playing hockey on the John's High team at Methuen yesterday afternoon Fred Toohy met with a sad accident. During a scrimmage he was struck with a skate which cut a deep and ragged gash in his wrist. He was removed to Dr. Woodbury's where the wound was dressed. Several stitches were taken. The cut is in a very bad place and was very painful but Toohy was very plucky and did not give in. It will be sometime before he will be able to use the hand.

PEACEFULLY PASSED TO A HIGHER LIFE.

Mrs. Rosa Nesbitt, an old and highly respected lady of this town and Lawrence peacefully passed away shortly after 6 o'clock this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Fountain, 105 Pleasant street.

The deceased was born in Glasgow, Scotland, where she married John Nesbitt. They came to Lawrence in 1870, where Mr. Nesbitt died in 1885. After his death Mrs. Nesbitt came to North Andover where she has resided with her daughter ever since.

The deceased was 74 years of age. During her 35 years of residence in Lawrence and North Andover she was widely known as a kind and devoted mother and a good hearted friend. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Joseph Fountain. The deceased has been a cripple for seven years, but she has been able to be about until seven months ago when she was confined to the bed where she remained until the end this morning.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her daughter, 105 Pleasant street. It was the request of the deceased that there be no flowers.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

About 12 o'clock Sunday noon as several ice boats were enjoying a sail about Lake Cochichewick, one of the boats, "Ape," with two men aboard suddenly dropped through the ice just off Virgin Rock. The boat and men entirely disappeared. Stormont Josselyn, who was sailing near the boat when it sank, immediately arrived to the sunken boat, and gave his service to rescue the men.

Fortunately one side of the boat rose up in the water and one of the men clung to this side and threw himself upon the ice. The other man was tangled under the sail and he remained under water for two minutes. At length Josselyn and the man who had just escaped, reached him and dragged him from the icy water. Both men were exhausted. They were taken to Harry Rockwell's camp, where they were well cared for. They were able to go to their home Sunday night.

The "Ape" was later pulled from the water, partly demolished.

The names of the two men could not be learned.

TENDERLY LAID AT REST.

The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Rosa Nesbitt, who died Saturday were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Fountain, 105 Pleasant street, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Rev. George E. Sanderson, pastor of the M. E. church officiated. Mrs. Nesbitt and relatives attended the services. The remains rested in a handsome black broadcloth casket with heavy silver trimmings. Around the casket were grouped the following floral tributes: Wreath, Mrs. Elizabeth Hilton; spray, Mrs. and Mr. George Shaw; bouquet, Mrs. David Mitchell; spray, Mrs. Pressey; wreath, grandchildren, Norman, Raymond and Lewis Fountain. The bearers were William Agnew, John Phillips, Walter Hayes, Joseph Fountain. Burial was in the family lot at Ridgewood cemetery. Relatives were present from Weymouth, Lawrence and neighboring towns.

METHUEN HIGH 6; JOHNSON HIGH 0

The Johnson High school hockey team paid a visit to Methuen yesterday and met a defeat before the High school hockey team of that town by a score of 6-0.

The local boys show a lack of practice and the need of more uniform team work, while the Methuen boys played a quick and accurate game.

In the first half the Johnson High team played a very poor game but in the second half they followed the game more closely.

During the game, Fred Toohy was struck in the wrist with a skate which cut a deep gash. He was taken to Dr. Woodbury's office where the wound was dressed. It was necessary that several stitches be taken. Lineup: Methuen—Norris goal, Douglas point, Gahley cover, Cook left wing, Walcott right wing, Collins right centre, George left centre.

Johnson—Day goal, Dickey point, Carey cover, Leitch left wing, Josselyn right wing, Taylor, Toohy right centre, Hamilton left centre.

Officials: Timekeepers, Leacock and Hamlin; umpires, Hamlin and Price; referee, Sub-Master Gilbert. Score, 6-0.

LOCAL YOUNG MAN WEDDED TO "LAWRENCE GIRL."

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock John W. Bolton, a popular young man of this town, was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Hart of South Lawrence.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents on Durham street, South Lawrence. Rev. F. Doan of St. Patrick's church performed the ceremony. J. Frank Coppinger of this town acted as best man and Miss Mary Hart, a sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid.

A reception was tendered by the bride's parents from 3 o'clock until 5 o'clock.

The happy couple left on the 8.40 train for a short wedding trip after which they will reside on Kingston street.

Among those present from town who attended the wedding were: Mrs. John Bolton, Miss Helen Bolton, Miss May Bolton, Miss Winnie Bolton, Miss Annie Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coppinger, Frank Coppinger, Murty Coppinger, Joseph Bolton and Murty Bolton.

ART, MIRTH, MUSIC.

Saturday evening, Jan. 13th, 1893 Musical Walkers, from Salem, assisted by local talent, will entertain the public in Odd Fellow's hall.

This affair is under the auspices of the Rescue lodge, I. O. G. T.

NOTICE.

Notice is given to all citizens who own fruit or shade trees that these trees must be free from the KYPSE moths at once as it is now January and the gypsy moth law goes into effect.

GRANGE MEETS.

The local grange had its first meeting of the New Year last night. The 3rd and 4th degrees were worked on four candidates.

The following officers were installed by State Master C. D. Richardson and staff.

Master, Benjamin W. Farnum. Overseer, Albert Currier.

Lecturer, Jessie Barker. Steward, Leon H. Bassett.

Assistant steward, Fred D. Whittier. Chaplain, Peter Holt.

Treasurer, James C. Poor. Secretary, Walter H. Hayes.

Gatekeeper, Samuel T. Wood. Cere, Mrs. Benjamin W. Farnum.

Pomona, Mrs. Jacob Barker. Flora, Mrs. Charles O. Barker.

Lady assistant steward, Mrs. H. D. Currier.

The following committees have been appointed to serve during this year:

Executive committee, Mosher B. Meserve, John Barker, Peter Holt.

Relief committees, W. S. Hughes, Mrs. A. N. Holt, C. S. Moxley, Mrs. H. M. Whittier, John Barker, Mrs. Peter Holt.

Literary committee, Jessie Barker, Mrs. B. W. Farnum, Mrs. W. S. Hughes, Grace E. Barker, Lucy A. Prescott, Benjamin W. Farnum, Albert Currier, W. S. Hughes, John Barker, Walter H. Hayes.

Pianist and chorister, Mrs. Calvin Rea.

The following programs for the year were issued last night.

Jan. 2—Third and fourth degrees. Installation of officers by State Master C. D. Richardson.

Jan. 16—Volunteers night. Grange Journal. Music committee, Mrs. Calvin Rea.

Feb. 6—Anniversary night. James C. Poor, chairman.

Feb. 20—Debate. Resolved: That a boy and girl can spend as happy and successful a life at home on the farm as a brother and sister in the city. Affirmative: George A. Rea, Jr., Angie H. Whittier. Negative: John J. Barker, Esther A. Boyce. Music committee, Mrs. H. D. Currier.

March 6—Past lecturers night.

March 20—What can the grange do to improve the Agricultural Fairs? Peter Holt, W. S. Hughes. Music committee, Lucy A. Prescott.

April 3—Musical. Albert Currier.

May 1—Deputy inspection.

May 15—Grange prophecy. Dollie Farnum. Music committee, Leon H. Bassett.

June 5—Hints for housekeepers. Mrs. John Barker, Mrs. W. S. Hughes. Music committee, Lettie M. Barker.

June 12—Children's night. Mrs. Albert Currier, Mrs. W. H. Hughes, Grace E. Barker.

June 19—Katherine in Her American Garden. Kate T. Fuller. Music committee, H. D. Currier.

July 17—Goddesses night. In charge of Ceres.

August 31—To what extent should the farmers be taxed for village improvements? M. Putnam Towne, Arthur H. Farnum, C. W. Paul. Music committee, Bessie E. Rea.

Sept. 4—Will it pay to send the young boys to agricultural college? E. A. Fuller, W. H. Hayes. Music committee, Angie H. Whittier.

Sept. 18—How can we get better prices for our milk? Calvin Rea, C. S. Moxley, W. C. Boyce, G. E. Woodbury. Music committee, Mrs. C. S. Moxley.

Oct. 2—Visitors' night. Entertainment by Bradford and North Reading Granges.

Oct. 16—Bits of Travel. Mrs. A. N. Holt, Mrs. C. W. Paul, Mrs. G. E. Woodbury. Music committee, Mrs. W. H. Hayes.

Nov. 6—Old Folks' Concert. Mrs. G. G. Chadwick, Mrs. Angie D. Bassett, Mrs. E. M. Greenwood.

Nov. 20—Which does the most good: The woman who leaves nothing undone at home, or she who devotes some time to humanity? Mrs. H. M. Whittier, Mrs. Oscar T. Young, Mrs. Jacob Barker. Music committee, Mrs. Clinton B. Nasoff.

Dec. 4—Election of officers.

Dec. 18—Reports of delegates to the state grange. Music committee, Mrs. Orris Rea.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

The engagement is announced of Miss Helen L. Josselyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Josselyn to Dr. Fred S. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. George I. Smith.

"De Laney" John Drew's greatest comedy success, which had such an auspicious opening at the Hollis Street theatre last Monday evening, and has played to packed houses at every performance since, will enjoy another week's run at that fashionable playhouse, beginning Monday evening, Jan. 8.

If the great demand for seats can be taken as a token, it is safe to say that the play during its Boston engagement will be greeted at each performance by an audience as great, as appreciative and as enthusiastic as that which welcomed this perennial favorite at its opening performance at the Hollis.

As the Boston Post says: "Those who wish to see John Drew at his best will see him in 'De Laney'."

The company which Mr. Charles Frohman has assembled for the production of Mr. Augustus Thomas' comedy which has held the stage in New York for four months, and which is shortly to be taken to the Duke of York's Theatre in London, is admirably selected.

There will be Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

DECIDED SLUMP.

The grant man was disturbed in mind.

"Henry," he said to his private secretary, "have I done anything unbecomingly lately?"

"Not that I am aware of, senator," responded that functionary.

"Does there seem to be any prejudice taking shape in the public mind against me?"

"I know of none."

"Am I spoken of in a sneering manner by the public prints?"

"Not so far as I have observed. Why are you asking me these questions, senator?"

"Because, Henry," said the great man, "I am convinced that unfriendly influences are at work. You know there there is a brand of five-cent cigars named for me, I presume?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, they are selling them now two for five cents."—Chicago Tribune.

BALLARDVALE.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, pastor. Services for Sunday, Jan. 7.

10.30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Consecration, What it does."

Sunday school to follow.

2.30 p. m. Meeting of the C. E. Juniors.

8.00 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. Consecration meeting.

7.00 p. m. Praise service with address by the pastor. Subject, "Consecration, What it does."

7.30 p. m., Thursday evening, "Prayer meeting."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. William Ferguson, Pastor. Services for Sunday, Jan. 7.

10.30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Faith the foundation of knowledge."

Sunday school to follow.

3.00 p. m. Meeting of E. L. Juniors.

7.00 p. m. Praise service with address by the pastor. Subject, "Prayer."

7.30 p. m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, special services.

Mrs. John Cockran is confined to her home by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McMahon of Wilmington spent Sunday with friends in the Vale.

Mrs. J. H. Smith spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Conant of Melrose.

Mrs. Warren Kendall of Somerville was the guest last Friday of her brother, Willis B. Hodgkins.

Martin Hefferan and family have moved into Miss Nellie Holmes' house on Tewksbury street.

E. F. Ruggles of Baltimore, Md., has been the guest for several days of Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins.

Miss Adele Matthews was the guest Saturday and Sunday of her friend, Miss Leona Whittier of South Boston.

Rev. Augustus H. Fuller conducted the funeral services for Mrs. J. B. Mann, a former parishioner in So. Easton last Thursday.

State Deputy James M. Craig of North Andover will pay Ballard Vale lodge, No. 105, an official visit next Monday evening, January 8.

The quarterly meeting of the Merrimack Valley Circuit league will be held with the local Methodist church, Monday evening, Jan. 15.

Brooks Holt has purchased the fixtures and good will of the Andover Ice Company, and with his increased facilities hopes to be better able to supply the demands of his customers.

The Young Ladies' Whist club will hold a dance next Thursday evening, Jan. 11. Curran's orchestra will furnish music. The public is very cordially invited to attend. Tickets, gents 35 cents, ladies 25 cents.

The Bradley Mothers' club met in the kindergarten room last Wednesday afternoon. There was a good attendance.

Miss Florence Abbott read a very interesting article on "How New Year is celebrated in other lands." Edward Scott played a piano solo in a very creditable manner. Tea and cake were served by the following efficient hospitality committee: Mrs. James Scott, Mrs. Louis G. Buck, Mrs. J. H. Kibbee.

The fifth number in the Bradley course was given last Wednesday evening consisting of a concert by the "Boston Rivals." Miss Josephine Knight, soprano; Mrs. Maud Parades Lane, pianist; Mrs. Belle Temple Priest, reader; Karl Barleben, violinist. The concert was exceptionally fine. The impersonations and readings of Mrs. Priest were very realistic and greatly amused the audience. Mr. Barleben showed that he was master of his violin, his skill holding all spell-bound.

An exceptionally enjoyable family reunion was held last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. May Parkhurst of Malden, when her four sisters, Mrs. A. J. Russell of Ballardvale, Mrs. Lilly Simmond of Holyoke, Mrs. C. H. Shattuck of Everett and Mrs. Nellie Pearson of Newton were present. This was the first opportunity for 32 years that the five sisters have had of meeting together and many were the reminiscences of the fleeting years that were recalled vividly to their minds. The day passed only too quickly and each returned to their several homes with hearts filled with joy and satisfaction that they had all been permitted to celebrate the joyous event.

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Smith & Manning

Miss Alice Newcomb spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Cambridge.

Michael Fitzgerald of Villanova college and his sister Miss Nellie Fitzgerald of Lawrence, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bonner.

Dr. J. M. Leonard, presiding elder will preach at the Methodist church this evening. At the close of meeting he will conduct the fourth quarterly conference.

The Rev. Father Locke has been removed to the large St. Augustine's church of Philadelphia, Pa. He will be succeeded by the Rev. Father Morrison.

Father Locke by his frank sympathetic manner had completely won the hearts of his parishioners in Ballardvale and Wilmington. His many friends all regret his departure, but all unite in wishing him a God speed, realizing the large opportunities and field of work opened up to him.

MISS WILLA CATHER'S OBLIGATIONS TO A VALET.

Miss Willa S. Cather tells an interesting story about the evolution of her story, "The Marriage of Phaedra," in her much admired book, "The Troll Garden." Like most of her narratives this one grew out of a personality rather than out of a situation. It was suggested by an afternoon she spent in the studio of one of England's greatest modern painters, and by the singular devotion of his valet, who is now caretaker of the studio, and "who knows," says Miss Cather, "where each and every one of the dead man's pictures is though he knows about as much about painting as I do about the race-track. I went to the fellow's house one day when the studio was closed and his mother made him go into the 'best room,' while she got the information I wanted. Among all the hand-painted china and colored prints of race-horses there were at least a dozen photographs of the Master's big pictures and two original drawings in sepia—beautiful things in his best manner." When asked the name of the artist Miss Cather said she could not give it because the widow is very strict with her servants, and the story, if it came to her ears, might cost the poor valet his place.

ENGLISH "EAD SPELLS."

(From the London Chronicle.)

"Spelling in the higher ranks of the army seems at present to be at a very low ebb, but, then, our general officers, who have borrowed so much from Germany, may also have been content to scrape along with the scholarship of old Marshal Blucher, whose orthography like that of Prince Charlie, would have moved the mirth of a village school."

The other day it was found that the inscription on the equestrian statue of Sir Redvers Buller at Exeter teemed with errors of spelling. Similar defects were discovered by the king himself on the tablet to the memory of the late Duke of Cambridge in the guards' chapel. And one of the most famous monuments in St. Paul's exhibits the word "unparalleled" spelt in this unparalleled way!

"SOLOMON'S MINES."

If the conclusions as to the origin and history of the mysterious ruins in Rhodesia put before the British association at Bulawayo by Mr. Randall MacIver are correct, they are not relics of ancient Ophir, and we must seek elsewhere for the region whence King Solomon procured his stores of gold and precious stones. Mr. MacIver went to Rhodesia last April, under the auspices of the association and the Rhodes trustees, and examined minutely the ruins of Inyanga, Nienkerk's farm (16 miles north of Inyanga, Khami, Dho, Unatati, Insiza and Zimbarwa).

After careful investigation, he has decided that none of the ruins in southern Rhodesia is older than the 15th or 16th century, and that they are the handiwork of African natives of the negro or negroid race under the dynasty known by the collective name of Monomotapa. The bases of these conclusions were formed on the following data:

The buildings are essentially of a native kind of type common today; nearly all retain some original wooden stakes embedded in the walls; there is no trace of inscription on any of the ruins; stone and iron implements were found together; neither the buildings nor the other articles found show traces of early oriental or European influence; finally, the discovery of pieces of blue and white Nankin china, the negro or negroid race under the dynasty known by the collective name of Monomotapa. The bases of these conclusions were formed on the following data:

The buildings were originally fortified places, usually enclosing a kopje built in the form of a rough ellipse following mainly the contour of the surrounding country. The so-called slave pits, described as pit dwellings, were originally citadels of their strong places, round which concentric circles of walls were built.—London Standard.

WOULD HATE TO BE A WOMAN.

I am quite sure that I should hate to be a woman. It must be terrible to be compelled to look beautiful, whether you like it or not.

I read in a daily paper that hands must be plump and dimpled this season, and "allied to wrists and arms of sculpture